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ELECTION DATE OCTOBER 26TH.

Parliament Dissolved Yesterday and Meeting of Council Held

VOTERS' LISTS ADVANCED

Appointments to Board of Railway Commissioners Are Made

Ottawa, Sept. 16.—The general elections will be held upon Oct. 26. Upon his return this morning from Niagara Falls, Sir Wilfrid Laurier proceeded to Government House and obtained Earl Grey's consent to the dissolution of the tenth parliament of Canada, and it was decided that the appeal to the country should be made on the date mentioned, namely, Monday, Oct. 26, nominations on the 19th.

Several appointments were also put through. D'Arcy Scott, Mayor of Ottawa, and son of Hon. R. W. Scott, was appointed assistant chairman of the board of railway commissioners, and Thomas Greenway, member for Lisgar, Manitoba, and J. S. McLean, professor of economics in Toronto university, were appointed members of the board. Prof. McLean is a son-in-law of J. Lorin McDougall, former auditor general, and will be remembered for his report upon the transportation problem in Canada, which preceded the act of parliament establishing the railway commission.

Another appointment put through was that of Ald. Wm. Foran as secretary of the board of civil service commissioners. His salary will be \$3,000 with a maximum of \$4,000.

The date fixed for the Dominion elections is somewhat earlier than had been expected. This is due to the promptitude with which the lists have been arriving at the office of the secretary of state. The lists for Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island are well filled, while others for Manitoba constituencies are already in. In Saskatchewan, Alberta and Yukon districts the lists will be prepared by the enumerators.

As for the induction of Charles Murphy into the cabinet, it is understood that he will not likely be sworn in for a week or two. This means that the burden and heat of the technical official work in connection with the general election will be borne for the third time by Hon. R. W. Scott.

Earl Grey left tonight for Regina, Sask., and tomorrow Sir Wilfrid Laurier will go to Montreal to be present at the banquet of the Manufacturers' association.

New Governor of Quebec.

Quebec, Sept. 16.—Sir Alphonse Pelletier was sworn in today as lieutenant-governor of the province of Quebec.

Coal Miners Laid Off.

Glace Bay, N.S., Sept. 16.—The coal company here is daily laying off men. About 300 have been discharged since Saturday, and more than 200 will go next week. Considerable coal remains on the banks, and the winter will be a dull one.

Canadian Property in Danger.

Chicago, Sept. 16.—William Robinson, manager of the interests of A. Booth & Co., conferred hurriedly with receiver Chalmers here today and then departed for New York to seek financial assistance for the Canadian properties. Mr. Robinson stated that the firm had obtained concessions in Manitoba, under agreement with the Canadian government, to make a certain amount of improvements. Unless the improvements are made soon, Mr. Robinson said, the concessions would be lost.

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Steamer Floated
Quebec, Sept. 16.—The steamer Ma-Hin Head, which collided with the Corinthian on Sunday, was successfully floated this evening, and arrived in port at 10:30 o'clock, and anchored.

Bandits Not Captured

Nelson, Sept. 16.—There is no truth in the rumor that the Midway bandits, guilty of the murder of Thomet at Midway in August last, were captured in Washington.

The Mining Engineers

Nelson, Sept. 16.—The visiting mining engineers from Europe and the east, passed through here last night on their way to the Boundary and Rossland. They will return on Friday night and will be entertained here on Saturday.

Shot for a Moose

Fredericton, N. B., Sept. 16.—While out hunting, Benjamin Smith, of Beaver Dam, about forty miles from here, was shot by his brother by mistake for a moose, and is now in a critical condition. The accident happened in the woods about six miles from the town, and the wounded man was obliged to remain alone on the ground for hours while his brother went for medical aid. It was 6 o'clock in the morning when the surgeon who was summoned, reached the side of the sufferer, having had to make their way over rough roads by lantern light. At daybreak Sir Wm. Scott was taken to the settlement on a stretcher. He is weak and feverish, having lost much blood. Both men are hunters of experience, but the brother who did the shooting was delayed by the dim light of the evening, when the pair were working their way around a large pond.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 16.—As the culminating feature of the Democratic state convention, which closed today, there was a notable demonstration here tonight in honor of the party's standard bearer, W. J. Bryan, who addressed a mass meeting in convention hall and overflow gatherings outside.

Presiding over the assemblage was Judge Alton B. Parker, the presidential candidate of four years ago, who took

advantage of the occasion to make a personal pledge of his earnest fidelity to the national ticket.

As Mr. Bryan acknowledged Judge Parker's pledge of his own support

and the support of the "United Democ-

rats of the Empire state," in words as

gracious as those in which the pledge had been held.

"It is worth coming a long way,"

said Mr. Bryan "to participate in the

closing hours of a great convention in

this country's greatest state. I appreciate the pledge he has given, and especially do I appreciate his own

earnest part in the fulfilment of that

pledge."

"I am grateful to the great conven-

tion which closed today for placing at

the head of its affair one so worthy to

carry the party's standard. In this

state Mr. Chandler represents a class

that I believe will be a grand class in

this country."

Lieut.-Gov. Chanler's nomination was

unanimous, and would have been

made at an earlier stage if the Tam-

many Hall leader had been made sur-

of his strength in the up-state dis-

tricts. When he was given that as-

surance he readily gave in his support

to the nomination. All factors in the

party express much pleasure at the

formation of harmony. The Demo-

crats have now high hopes that they

will be able to give effective opposi-

tion to the re-election of Governor

Hughes and carry the state for Mr.

Bryan.

Ottawa, Sept. 16.—F. A. Labelle was

nominated Conservative candidate for

the county of Wright at Hull this

afternoon.

Quebec, Sept. 16.—P. E. Blondin, of

Grand Mere, were nominated for the

Commons to contest Champlain coun-

ty in the Conservative interest.

St. John, N. B., Sept. 16.—Conservati-

ves at a meeting here today passed a

resolution recommending that the

election law be amended so as to per-

mit commercial travelers to vote in

whatever constituency they may be in

on election day. The motion was

made by Mr. Fowler, M.P.

Saskatoon, Sask., Sept. 16.—At the

Conservative convention held here last

night, M. A. McNillis, a prominent real

estate agent, was unanimously nomi-

nated as the Conservative candidate for

Saskatoon for the federal house in the

next Dominion elections.

Fredericton, N.B., Sept. 16.—O. S.

Crockett, M.P., was renominated by the

York County Conservatives' conven-

tion today.

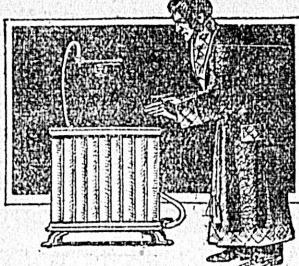
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RANCHER AT DUNCANS IS SUED BY HIS WIFE

Mrs. Brownell Wants Share of Money She Says She Earned and Gave Husband

Brownell vs. Brownell, a Duncans case now being tried before his lordship, Mr. Justice Martin, is one which presents many unusual features. The plaintiff, Mrs. Brownell, who has also a suit for divorce pending, claims that for many years she was in partnership with her husband, she working at her trade as a dressmaker and he at his as a blacksmith, that she helped him make improvements on his farm, and finally that after some sixteen years of married life he took her to Boston and there deserted her. She is now claiming for an account of the moneys earned by her, and which she says were given to her husband in trust for her to be used and invested on their joint account. He had suggested the arrangement, saying that they would thus make provision for their old age.

The case for the defendant had only begun when the court rose yesterday, but is but fair to the defendant, who is a substantial rancher of Duncans, to say that he denies his former wife's story in toto so far as her contributing to the family exchequer is concerned, saying that on the contrary her attempts at business resulted in financial loss to him. The rest of his story will be told this morning when the trial is resumed at eleven o'clock. W. J. Taylor, K.C., and J. A. Alkmann are appearing for the plaintiff and Thornton Fell for the defendant.

Mrs. Brownell took the stand on her own behalf yesterday and was in the witness box all the morning. Her story in brief was that they were married in 1883 and soon afterwards went to live in Yale. Her husband early proposed that he should work at his trade as a blacksmith and she at her's as a dressmaker. This they did for about a year. Mrs. Brownell saying that the net profits of her end of the business were about \$50 month. This she was wont to place in a drawer in which her husband also placed his earnings. From this she would withdraw such sums as were needed from time to time for household expenses, her husband using or banking the balance as he thought fit.

After a year Mr. Brownell came to Vancouver Island looking for land, and eventually took up a farm at Duncans, to which she followed him a week or so afterwards. There were no buildings on the farm and Mrs. Brownell says that she turned to and helped her husband with the work on the ranch as well as doing the cooking. As soon as she had got her dishes away she would go out and assist in clearing land, sawing logs, digging drains, building the cabin and so forth.

After a while her husband went to Alaska for the summer and she looked after the ranch while he was away, with the help of her father who was staying with her, looking after the cattle, haying, etc. When the next year came Mr. Brownell wanted to go to Alaska again, and she insisted on going too. However, he refused, and she went to San Francisco and stayed with her sister, supporting herself by sewing. Altogether she was away two years in California, and when she got back her husband had started a blacksmith shop in Duncans. She resumed her dressmaking, putting the money into the common drawer as before, until her husband suggested that she sell groceries as well. She took \$250 out of the fund for this purpose, and ran the store for several years, after a year giving up her dressmaking to attend to it.

Eventually the business was sold, and in 1899 the two started for Boston. The day after they arrived Mr. Brownell went on to Nova Scotia to settle his father's estate, saying that he would be back in two weeks or a month. She went to her brother's house there, and he left her \$25 pocket money. The husband, however, did not come back, and after about a year she started dressmaking again in the country near Boston. Finally in October, 1900, she heard from him again and went up to Boston to meet him. He saw her a couple of times or so, but would not stay where she was nor permit her to join him. Eventually he suggested that she give up the work she was doing, and move into Boston, where they would live together and both ply their trades. She agreed, but he disappeared and did not keep his promise. Afterwards she got a ticket from him to come to British Columbia again, but she had no money to travel on and he refused to send her any. After that she lost all trace of him till last fall, when she heard that he was in Duncans again. At that she came west and brought suit.

Mr. Fell put her through rather a rigid cross-examination. He wanted to know figures and how much she had made and withdrawn from the common fund. Her explanation was that her books of account were in their cabin at Duncans, and that on her return she had been refused admittance to it. If that were the case counsel wanted to know why in her affidavit of discovery she had sworn that she had not and never had had in her possession any documents bearing on the suit. She admitted that her husband had done well at his trade, making \$125 a month and more sometimes, but could not remember just how much he was in the habit of making. She admitted that she knew that the farm stood in her husband's name only, and had never raised any objection, nor had she objected to his banking the money in his name. She resisted the suggestion that the store had ended in a financial failure, but could not give figures. All she knew was that her husband had more in the bank after it was sold than before it started. She admitted that while she was able to save money according to her story while her husband was at home, she had not been able to save any while he was away in Alaska nor during the two years she was in California. In the latter case she said that she had no clothes when she went and had to outfit herself, and in the former she said she had saved a man's wages although she had not saved money. She admitted that on seeing her husband in Boston he had told her that he had returned from Nova Scotia according to promise but had been unable to find her at the address where he left her, but said she did not believe it as she had left her address. She denied having got large sums from her husband for her relatives or that her conduct had compelled them to give up the store at Duncans.

Counsel for the plaintiff also introduced a number of witnesses from Duncans who testified that she had done dressmaking there and helped on the farm as she had said.

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Mr. Fell then moved for a dismissal on the ground that the claim, if any existed, was barred by the statute of limitations and also that the plaintiff had shown laxness in not bringing action before. She had admitted that she had made no claim until the action started. Mr. Justice Martin, however, overruled the motion.

The defendant then took the stand. He denied that his wife had ever contributed to the family exchequer, saying that she kept what she made. It was true that Mr. Duncans for a while she used to put money into a drawer where they kept their cash, but that she drew out as much or more than she put in. He claimed that he had on one occasion lent her \$100 and on another \$200, and that when the store was closed out there were liabilities left to the extent of \$1000 which he had to meet out of his own pocket. He had not concluded his story when the court rose.

LOCAL ASTROLOGER ON SIGNS OF TIMES

Influence of the Planets Upon the Weather and Things in General

"I find," remarked a local astrologer yesterday afternoon, upon being consulted in regard to the signs of the times, "that upon the 22nd of this month the moon will be in apogee—or farthest from the earth; while upon the following day, the 23rd, the sun enters into the sign of Libra, or the Balance, when the autumn quarter at once commences. High winds will be induced immediately after the entrance of the sun into this sign; in consequence of this falling in the autumn equinoctial period, or solstice, which really happens, not upon the 21st, as is very commonly supposed, but upon the 23rd, when the sun apparently traverses the line and enters the constellation of Libra. Most remarkable and somewhat sudden changes in the weather will almost immediately ensue, and we will suffer under the infliction of rather cold weather for this particular time of the year, and a little bit colder than is usual at that season. The position of the important planet Venus is also rather unfavorable, as respects what may be termed the emotions of young men and of young women. Much cruelty may further be feared, and these happenings will peculiarly concern women, and as the evil nature of man will be more openly shown than is customary, great danger exists that much sorrow will be occasioned in many quarters."

"As the sun enters Libra I expect to hear of severe accidents to ships, including disastrous shipwrecks down on the Pacific coast, while as Mercury is in Aphonion, or in the position farthest from the sun, both rain and wind will prevail in certain sections of this province. Mercury reaches its aphelion on the 21st, and then on the 30th we have the sinister planet Saturn in opposition to the sun, which will directly lead to the commission of many gross frauds, both in government as well as in private circles. I confidently expect to hear of many cases of fraud being exposed to public light, both on the part of men who occupy government positions as well as on the part of tradesmen, particularly in other departments in life."

"On the 4th of November Mercury will be in perihelion, or nearest the sun, and stationary. On the 12th of this month Venus will be in perihelion, which will cause very heavy rains to descend upon the earth. On the 13th we will have Mercury at its greatest elongation—west of the sun—causing high winds and heavy rainstorms to be very prevalent in western latitudes, while on the 14th this planet will be in its greatest elongation in northern latitudes, so that we are bound to feel a great deal of its peculiar influence in this part of the world. From the 4th to the 11th of October it will be very windy, and all the elements will be in a lively state of commotion. This is the 16th, and we are likely to have cold snaps up to the end of this month, accompanied by early frosts, as the moon is in apogee. Equinoctial influences will be experienced simultaneously. I consider that my prognostications for the month of August were very satisfactorily fulfilled."

WILL DECIDE NAME
Royal Institute of Learning to Determine Title of the Victoria Branch

For the purpose of attending a meeting of the board of governors of the Royal Institute of Learning at Victoria today, George Jay, chairman of the school board, and Superintendent E. B. Paul left this morning on the Charmer. At this meeting it will be decided what the name of the Victoria college will be under the new arrangement and also what will be the titles of the different teachers who have been appointed by the board. Some of the teachers will be named professors and others lecturers.

While in Vancouver, Superintendent Paul will take occasion to inspect the manual training department of the public schools there, which is supposed to be strictly up to date and capable of giving the pupils a most thorough training. It is the intention of the local board to make the manual training department here as effective as possible and fully the equal of that in Vancouver.

Damage by Fire.
Brockville, Ont., Sept. 15.—A big barn owned by C. J. Banta and Norman Dowsey, a house belonging to M. Hudson and four boathouses on the waterfront, containing several boats, were destroyed by fire at the village of Charleston, 20 miles from here, today. The burned buildings were insured, but the loss will not be recoverable. The fire was caused by a spark from a sawmill.

AGRICULTURISTS ARE RUSHED BACK EAST

Dominion Government Only Allows Them Two Hours Ride on Vancouver Island

The Scotch agriculturists, who are supposed to be touring Canada under the auspices of the Dominion government with a view to studying agricultural conditions in Canada, returned yesterday to Vancouver, en route for Calgary, by the noon boat, after being whirled round the Saanich peninsula in motors so fast that they could not see for dust the farms they were supposed to be investigating. The speed was necessary in order to cover the territory in the course of hours at the visitors disposal. As one of them said before he boarded the boat:

"James Bay is beautiful, and you have some lovely scenery. Also, the roads through Saanich are excellent. Further than that I cannot say, save that there was plenty of dust."

They had to go on board without even waiting to brush their overcoats. One of them, Angus Mackintosh, knew better than to take such a hurried trip. He was anxious to learn something about British Columbia, and Vancouver Island, and did not think he could do it in a two hours' ride at breakneck speed in a motor, according to the schedule outlined by the Dominion government in its keen desire to further the interests of the province. Accordingly he spent the morning quietly in the provincial bureau of information, with Frank I. Clarke, absorbing all the information he could obtain. Mr. Clarke gave him a number of views and also a selection of literature for his party to pursue on the train consisting of selections of the provincial bulletins, which, by the way, the Dominion government has recently taken to reprinting as Dominion literature and as a faint recognition of the fact that Canada extends west of the Rockies.

R. M. Palmer, deputy minister of agriculture, accompanied the party and went on with them to Vancouver, where they have about as much time to see the lower mainland and the rich delta of the Fraser river as they had to examine Vancouver Island. Then they go to Vernon, where they arrive at 10:30 a.m., leaving at 2:30 p.m., giving exactly four hours in which to become acquainted with the vast possibilities and development of the Okanagan.

They have seen about as much of British Columbia as did the British journalists whom the Dominion brought out last fall, who were led in their regret that they did not permit them to see anything of the great Pacific province of whose future they had heard and concerning whose resources they were desirous of learning somewhat at first hand.

GOOD PROGRESS IN LAYING WATER MAINS

Work on Number of Streets is Now Completed—More Connections

Rapid progress is being made by the city in the laying of the mains for the new system of water distribution, and with this work and that of making water connections at an average of four a day, besides other incidental work, a large force of men is engaged on the city streets. Independent of those employed at the Smith's Hill reservoir.

So far, since the work of laying the pipe was started a month ago, the following mains have been laid, or are now being laid, and will soon be finished:

Twelve inch mains, Burdette avenue from Humboldt street to Cook street; Humboldt street from Douglas street to Government street; Belleville street from Government street to Menzies and along Menzies street to Simcoe street; Wharf street from Government street to Store street and along the latter thoroughfare, to Pembroke street; an eight-inch main on Vancouver street from Humboldt street to Pandora street, and four-inch mains on Alpha street from Burnside road to Douglas street, and on Beta, Delta and Gamma streets, while the work of laying four-inch mains on Frances avenue from Douglas street to Burnside road and on Vining street from Chambers street to Fernwood road will probably commence today.

A gang of fourteen men is now engaged at the exhibition grounds, installing three more hydrants with necessary pipe connection, and when this work is completed the buildings will be amply supplied from fire. Applications for water connection are being daily received, about four connections for dwellings being installed every day.

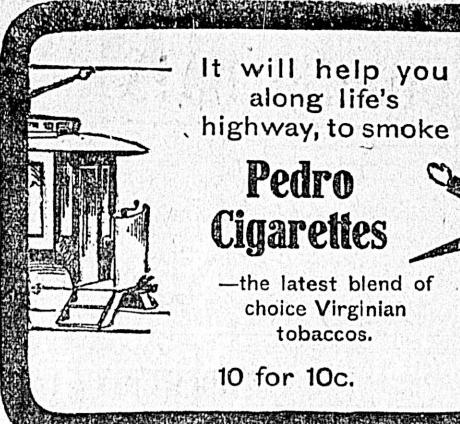
Wherever possible, the new mains laid are being connected with the old system so that the service in several sections of the city is now being derived through the new mains. As in the majority of instances the new mains are of much larger capacity than those replaced, water users are obtaining a more copious supply. On Belleville street from Government street to Menzies street, and thence to Simcoe street, a twelve-inch main has been laid in lieu of the old four-inch main connection with the old main on Government street being made at the junction of that street with Belleville street. The result has been a larger supply of water for users along the new main evidenced by the increased flow at the taps of the various dwellings served.

A large quantity of the old piping which has been taken up after the new mains have been laid will prove of use. Such portions as can be used are cleaned, trimmed and cut and will be available for water works purposes on other streets where piping of its size is needed.

INSTITUTE EXCURSION

Reception to Be Given in Provincial Building By the Government

As promised to the delegation which waited on the Hon. the Premier on Saturday, the 5th inst., the provincial government will entertain the members of the Canadian Mining Institute and their guests, who will be in Victoria next week, at a reception in the Parliament buildings, from 9 to 11 o'clock, on the night of Wednesday, the 23rd inst. This function will be of the nature of a public reception of the visitors, and it will be open to the public. Formal invitations to it will not be issued, but a notice will be inserted in the local newspapers that the public will be welcomed. The arrangements are being made by Hon. Dr.



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SURFACE DRAINAGE TO COVER LARGE SECTION

Plans Prepared Show Extensive Nature of the Work Contemplated

According to the plans prepared for the extension of the surface drainage system for which the city council will submit a bylaw to the ratepayers on the 29th of this month to raise \$150,000, the work will be a very extensive one and while a portion of it may not be laid this year a start will be made and a great deal of the system installed. The drains will vary from the large brick and concrete affairs of some six feet in diameter to those of twelve inches in diameter, the latter constructed of the ordinary sewer pipes.

All the necessary data has been compiled by the city engineer's department and should the ratepayers see fit to sanction the raising of the necessary funds, work will commence at once as it is desired to complete some of the portions of the work in order to have it in readiness for the rainy season. The first work to be done will be the extension of the Cook street drain, a large six foot brick and concrete drain, from May street, where it now empties into the ordinary sewer, through to the sea, thus affording increased drainage facilities for the low portion along Cook street besides improving the drainage from the higher sections, which have heretofore not been properly drained because of the fact that its small outlet has reduced the effectiveness of this drain to a very great extent. The larger surface drains will be constructed on Cook street, from May street to the sea, on Burnside road; Fernwood road, from Walmsley street to Cedar Hill road; St. Charles street, from Chandler street to the sea.

On the other streets the drains will range from twenty-four inches to twelve inches in diameter and will be laid on William street to the city boundary; on Queen's avenue, from the main on Blanchard street to Vancouver street; on Foul Bay road, from Davie street to Fort street; on Dallas road, from San Juan street to Menzies street; on Moss street, from Richardson street to Snowden street; on Niagara street, from San Juan street to Carr street; on St. Lawrence street from Dallas road to Simcoe street, and along Simcoe street; on Fort street, from Oak Bay Junction to Foul Bay road; on Gorge road from Market street to the sea; on King's Road from Quadra street to Seventh street; on Sixth street from King's road to Hillside avenue; on Hillside avenue from Sixth street to Blackwood street; from Douglas street through to Tolmie avenue by way of the brickyard, and on Douglas street from Speed street to Francis street.

At a meeting of Alexandra Lodge, held last evening it was unanimously decided that no effort should be spared to refute, in no uncertain manner, the unwarranted and uncalled for attacks upon this country which the disgruntled correspondent of the Post unloaded upon that unsuspecting journal.

It was pointed out that of the entire membership of the lodge, everyone an Englishman or of English parents, not one but has reason to bless the day on which he took up his abode in Victoria and of the ranks of Englishmen many of those now holding the most important positions in the political, business and agricultural fields, have been recruited. That such baseless slanders should be allowed to go uncontradicted is not the intention of Alexandra Lodge which will immediately take steps to deny them. A letter will be written to the Yorkshire Post protesting against the attack upon this country appearing in the recent issue of that publication and presenting the real facts of the matter.

Shipbuilding Dividend

Cleveland, Sept. 16.—The directors of the American Shipbuilding Company today declared a quarterly dividend of 14% per cent on the preferred stock, payable October 15.

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A SHORT CAMPAIGN

It is announced that the Dominion elections will be held on October 26. This does not allow for a very long campaign, but we have no complaint to make on that score. If the people of Canada cannot in six weeks' time be brought to an appreciation of the issues between the two parties, it would be hopeless to try to arouse them in six months. A short campaign has some advantages, and not the least of them is that it reduces to a minimum the unavoidable interference with business. If we may judge from the manner in which the meetings of the two leaders are being attended, public interest in the questions of the day promises to be very great. From now on it will increase, although we suppose Victoria will live up to the record by not growing very enthusiastic until a week or so before the election. Meanwhile there is a great deal of work to be done, and it is highly satisfactory to be able to say that the local organization of the Conservatives was never better than today.

In this province the two great parties have their candidates in the field in all the constituencies except Comox-Atlin. In Victoria they are: Barnard, Conservative, Templeman, Liberal; in Vancouver: Cowan, Conservative, McInnes, Liberal; in New Westminster: Taylor, Conservative, Jardine, Liberal; in Yale-Cariboo: Burrill, Conservative, Ross, Liberal; in Kootenay: Goodeve, Conservative, Curtis, Liberal; in Nanaimo: Shepherd, Conservative, Smith, Liberal. In addition we have in Nanaimo, Hawthorne, Socialist, and in Vancouver: Martin, Asiatic-exclusionist. We assume that other candidates will be announced. We present the six Conservative candidates to the electors with great satisfaction. Messrs. Barnard, Cowan, Taylor, Burrill, Goodeve, and Shepherd would make a representation of which British Columbia might justly feel proud. They are all men of high standing and great personal worth. From any point of view from which they may be regarded they will appear to advantage in comparison with their Conservative opponents. How many of them we shall have the pleasure of reporting elected on October 26 we shall not pretend to say, but there is an excellent chance that they may all be elected and a practical certainty that the majority of them will be. We observe a disposition on the part of Sir Wilfrid Laurier to base his appeals for support very largely upon those questions which specially concern the localities in which he is speaking. Thus in Richelieu he talked about the maintenance of the due influence of Quebec; in Niagara he spoke of the enlargement of the Welland Canal. Here in British Columbia we may well follow such a conspicuous example. The Conservatives may very properly, indeed it is their duty—appeal to the electors of British Columbia not only upon the great general questions which affect all parts of the Dominion alike, but upon those issues which have a special provincial bearing. Our representatives in the late House of Commons have been little else than counters in the political game played by Sir Wilfrid Laurier. They have never in a single instance interposed whatever influence they may possess to secure for their province the consideration to which its exceptional condition entitles it. To have granted the reasonable demands of British Columbia would have embarrassed Sir Wilfrid Laurier in Quebec. Hence they were not granted and the British Columbia representatives raised no word of protest. It can be truthfully said that they never put forward the least effort to secure the recognition of these claims. They were recreant to their duty. They disappointed their friends and opponents alike. They were the trusted guardians of the rights of this province and they did not assert those rights because it did not suit the purpose of the Premier that those rights should be asserted. If it were known with certainty that the government would be sustained by the people, it would yet be the duty of the people of British Columbia to elect Conservative representatives as a protest against the gross manner in which the interests of the province as a province have been disregarded by the Liberals.

MR. BORDEN.

There have been many pen pictures of the Premier of Canada in foreign papers, but naturally not many of Mr. R. L. Borden. The leader of a minority in parliament is of necessity not a figure of great interest outside of his own country. It is one of the signs of the times that the Conservative leader is attracting attention out of Canada. In a recent issue of the New York Tribune he is thus de-

scribed: "Thirteen years younger than the Prime Minister, he was born, politically, in the year that Laurier came into power. In 1901, five years after entering Parliament, this almost unknown Halifax lawyer was elected leader of his party in succession to Sir Charles Tupper. Tact, a quiet and growing personal popularity, a good legal reputation, a pronounced and favorable impression as to his ability, were the elements of preliminary success. There was no oratorical genius in his personality, no raging roughness, or clever bitterness, or enthusiastic rashness in his political character. He gave the impression, which still exists and grows with every year in the popular mind, of a sincere belief in defined party principles, of cleanness in personal and political life, of instinctive fairness in character and conspicuous honesty in purpose. He is earnest and at times aggressive, and is improving steadily as a public speaker, and growing rapidly in public popularity and respect. He has become a master of Parliamentary rules and debate. He believes in public ownership of railways and other utilities under specific conditions. He puts honesty in the administration of affairs as above all else in public life."

THE YUKON POLICY.

The output of gold from the Yukon for the year ending March 31 was valued at \$2,829,161.60 for royalty purposes, and assuming that some of the gold escaped official notice, the total yield of the northern placers may be placed at \$3,000,000, in round numbers. This is the lowest on record. It is officially explained that the falling off is "due mainly to the fact that a considerable number of the claims on Hunker, Bonanza and Eldorado creeks were not worked during the year, having been acquired by the Yukon Gold company for dredging and hydraulic purposes." Whether the policy, which had led to the extinction of the individual miner and the absorption of the whole gold-producing region by big capitalists, is one that can be justified, only the future can determine. Certainly its first effects have not been good. They have practically driven the prospector out of the country, and in this way retarded the discovery of new gold-bearing ground. There is no reason to suppose that the existence of a boundary line along the 141st Meridian in any way alters the nature of the Yukon region, yet there have been great discoveries and a constantly increasing output of gold on the Alaskan side of the line, and a great diminution of yield on the Canadian side. The government has had the management of the Yukon Territory in its own hands absolutely. No one has had power to interfere. We are compelled to judge of the policy pursued by the results of it. These have been everything else but satisfactory. The government cannot pride itself upon the administration of the Yukon, and the fact that the representative of that Territory in the House of Commons, elected an Independent, went over to the Conservative party, is proof that the policy of the government was not one that he could hope to justify to the people of the Territory. So far as natural wealth and the enterprise of individual miners, left to their own devices, are concerned, the Yukon was a marvelous success; but in all points in which the Dominion government has touched it, except only in regard to the administration of justice, it has been a colossal and scandalous failure.

THAT YORKSHIRE SLANDER.

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Thanking you for the courtesy of space, and hoping that you can put us in touch with your correspondent, yours, etc.

To this letter the Editor of the Post appends the following comment:

We can arrange that "Prospector" shall see Mr. J. O. Smith's letter, but, of course, we cannot give "Prospector's" name without his consent. We know that the name he sent us for verification is thoroughly genuine, and we have not the slightest reason to doubt his good faith or the general accuracy of his statements. A correspondent whose letter was published yesterday referred to "Prospector's" assertion that British Columbia is "not a white man's country" as if the objection intended were climatic, whereas "Prospector" obviously had in mind Yellow competition in labor as keeping down the wages of white laborers. That, no doubt, is the opinion of the whites who have agitated for the exclusion of Chinese and Japanese. "Prospector" is not the first Englishman who has complained of the want of Englishmen who has complained of the want of Englishmen.

The Independence party in the United States wants postal savings banks established, the deposits to be loaned to the public. This would be a beautiful arrangement. Fancy turning over the savings of the people to a lot of politicians, for that is what it would mean. The security of the government might protect the depositors; but who would protect the government?

There used to be a saying to the effect "As goes Maine, so goes the Union." Maine is the first state to hold its state elections and the result was generally regarded as a straw showing the direction in which the political wind is blowing. The greatly reduced Republican majority, for of late Maine has been strongly Republican, will be very encouraging to the Democratic party, even though it is true that national issues did not enter into the contest to any great extent.

That is the statements which the Post says are generally accurate:

That the authorities of Victoria are contending with the problem of the unemployed and many families, mostly English, are in actual want;

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That men of all races are preferred to Englishmen when it comes to giving employment;

That people have lost money in Victoria through buying land at inflated prices;

That the whole condition of business here is rotten;

That white men cannot get employment here;

That the statements contained in government publications in regard to the province are false;

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That snow is six feet deep in the Skeena valley for six months in the year, and during the remainder of the year, the people live in a deluge of rain;

That Prince Rupert is utterly valueless;

That the plague of mosquitoes drives men insane;

That on August 5th a shipload of Japanese landed in Victoria;

That the water supply of Victoria is sickening;

That the land around Victoria is so poor that nothing can be raised on it;

That there are some minor slanderous and false statements, but those given above are the most important.

The Yorkshire Post has stated that these statements are generally accurate. Steps are being taken to contradict them in an emphatic way, but in the meantime we suggest to residents of Victoria, who are known to the editors of newspapers circulating in the constituency reached by the Post, to write to them in regard to these maliciously false statements, which the Post has adopted as its own.

THE SCOTTISH FARMERS.

While we were all glad to see the representative farmers from Scotland who visited the city yesterday on a tour arranged by the Dominion government, there will be a feeling of general regret that their stay in Vancouver Island was limited to so short a time that their observations were necessarily confined to the immediate vicinity of Victoria. If there is any part of Canada which would be likely to be attractive to a farmer from Scotland we believe it to be this island. Here the conditions are more nearly like those with which he is familiar at home than anywhere else from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and yet the visitors must go away with such impressions as they may be able to get in a necessarily hurried motor ride of three hours' duration. It is true that the Saanich Peninsula is a fine district. It is true that they were able to see something of what can be done in the way of fruit culture, and we may feel confident that Mr. R. M. Palmer left nothing undone that would produce a favorable and at the same time accurate impression upon the visitors. Yet there are other parts of the Island which they ought to have been able to see but could not because of the short time allotted to them. What is true of the Island is also true

of the Lower Fraser valley, and will be true of the rich interior valleys, for they are to spend only four hours in the Okanagan valley and see none of the others. Their itinerary has been arranged as if it was unimportant for them to learn anything about British Columbia, a province which would command itself more than any other to an agriculturist from Scotland. Our grievance is not only based upon the fact that these visitors were not allowed to see the province in a manner that would enable them to form a definite conception of its possibilities, but upon the impression which must be created in their minds by the indifference exhibited by the Dominion government. Fancy a representative body of farmers arriving in Vancouver Island, a place half as big as Scotland, at 10 o'clock at night, whisked around the country in motors for three hours the next morning, rushed aboard a steamer, without time to brush the dust off their clothes or exchange a word with any one, and then supposed to make an intelligent report upon this island as a home for men engaged in agriculture. Fancy the same men being rushed through the great Okanagan valley for four hours and then expected to be able to say something about its possibilities as a fruit-growing region. It is a repetition of the treatment accorded us when the editors of the agricultural journals visited this province. It is a new illustration of the manner in which the Ottawa authorities neglect British Columbia.

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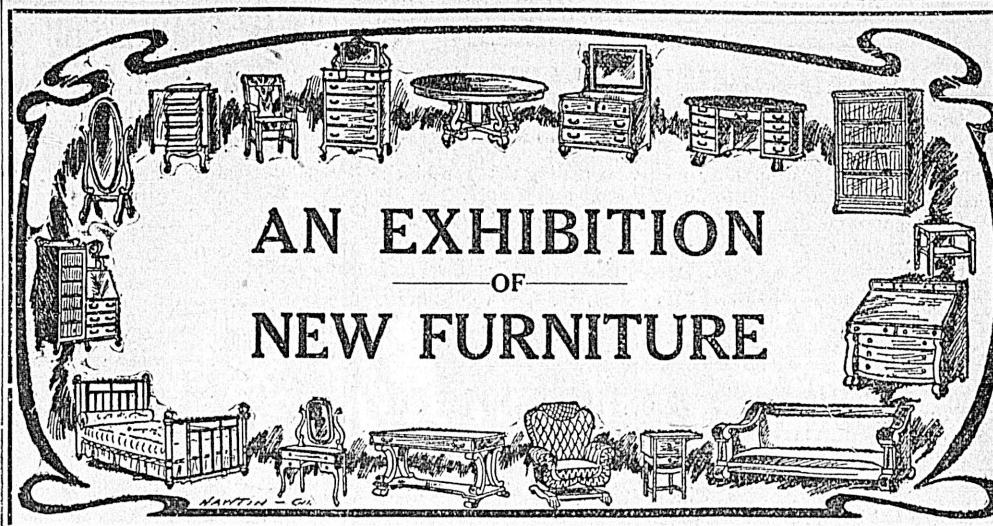
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"Fair Time" next week, and the "Fair Time" means Fall Time is near. You'll need new Carpets this fall, so why not come in and choose them now and let us make and lay them before the Fair. You'll have visitors in plenty, and wouldn't it be nice to have the house bright and cheerful through having new carpets. Carpets DO make a difference. Our showing for the 1908 Fall is an unusual one—surpassing, we believe, any of our previous efforts. You know what our "efforts" in the past have been, so come prepared to see some "niceness." Prices are right and quality—well, it's "Weiler Quality" again, and that's sufficient guarantee for most people.

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NOTE AND COMMENT

The authorities in the United States now speak in more optimistic terms of the financial and commercial outlook in that country. A New York correspondent, under date of Aug. 29, says:

"The Commercial National Bank, of Chicago, which, for the past eight years, has canvassed the country annually for information on economic conditions, issues today the reports which it has received from 4,000 bankers and business men concerning the commercial outlook. A large majority of the correspondents believe that next year will be a prosperous and active one, though it will not approach 'boom' proportions."

One discordant note concerns the railway situation. According to the bank's information, if the prosperity of the past ten years be closely analyzed, it purchases of iron, steel, timber, and other railway supplies be calculated, if disbursements to labor for improvements, and expenditure on rolling stock be allowed for, it will be seen that the total aggregate was a large factor in the country's activity. These expenses have now been stopped, with depressing results.

An attempt to solve the "unemployed" problem in Belfast has been found impracticable according to a correspondent in that city, who writes:

A suggestion was made to the Lord Mayor of Belfast some time ago for dealing with the unemployed in the city by establishing hiring fairs in the corporation grain market, and the experiment was tried the other day with very disappointing results. Trade depression has been very acutely felt in the linen, shipbuilding and other industries, and it was thought that this experiment would provide a unique opportunity for the employment of men willing to take work in order to tide over the depression. Between 1,500 and 2,000 persons assembled in the market, but of this number there was a large percentage of loafers, whose presence militated against those who were willing to take work if it could be procured. Apparently there were very few farmers present, and those who sought to engage laborers were hustled by so many undesirables that practically no engagements were made. A second experiment was tried with no better results than the first.

Indignation has been rife in England of late weeks on two subjects of wide diversity—automobiles and rats. On the latter topic a London correspondent writes:

The Incorporated Society for the destruction of vermin proposes to take legal action with a view to deciding whether it is an offence to harbor rats. The case for the society is that it is time that the principle underlying the Verminous Persons act and similar measures should be extended to rats. Evidence against several municipal authorities has been obtained, and a summons will shortly be applied for, but the present intention is that the case shall be treated as a friendly one, the idea being to ascertain the present state of the law and to pave the way for the "rat law" promoted by the society. The secretary informed Lloyd's that the question arose out of a report concerning a restaurant-keeper in London who had literally been made a bankrupt by rats. Some premises adjoining his place had been pulled down, and the rats, ejected from their old haunts, had invaded his restaurant in swarms. In spite of various methods adopted, it had been found impossible to keep them from darting from their hiding places and snatching morsels of food that had fallen from the dinner tables. One day a big rat actually jumped from the stairs leading to the first floor on to a table at which a lady and her daughter were dining, causing a scene and a general stampede. In the chase that followed the rat was killed, but so was the man's business. The place became known as the "rat pit" and custom declined. The proprietor is now a walter.

A Private Newspaper

While the Russian citizen is forced to be content with his foreign papers blacked out by the censor, the Czar, until the commencement of the Japanese war, was supplied with news of the outside world only through the medium of a daily paper printed for him by a special department of the Foreign office. This contained clippings and translations from all the European papers, and was printed upon fine paper from special type. All items which might be supposed to be disquieting to the Czar were eliminated by the editors, and the freshly printed sheet contained news designed to please the one subscriber.

During the war, however, the Czar insisted upon also being supplied with "unblacked" copies of certain English papers, and these were sent with no good grace by the censors who in times past had resorted to odd devices to keep certain publications from their imperial master. Counterfeiting sometimes being resorted to. This was notably the case with the revolutionary sheet published in London, which was rabid in its strictures of the court officials. The paper and type were so cleverly counterfeited that it was some months before the scheme was detected. The blacked out matter is saved for record and in huge scrapbooks might be found all prohibited articles.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Civilization in the Andamans.

Although these islands lie at the very door of countries which have been highly civilized for thousands of years, the people who inhabit them have remained in the lowest grades of the savage races of the world. The British first went to the Andamans in 1788, when the Government of Bengal established a penal settlement there. The first experiment was abandoned in 1796 on account of the terrible unhealthiness of the place. A permanent occupation of the islands was eventually forced on the Indian Government by the outrages committed by the inhabitants upon ships wrecked mariners. Few who were sent ashore on the Andamans returned to tell the tale of their misfortunes, many being killed to satisfy the marked partiality of the islanders for human flesh. British rule was finally established in 1853, and though for years the natives remained savagely hostile, and regularly killed and ate all stragglers from the European settlements, they were soon won over to the principles of good treatment and civilization. Agriculture, of which the aborigines knew nothing, now thrives and human flesh has, it is believed, entirely disappeared from the native menu.

In their primitive state the natives of the Andamans, as Marco Polo relates, had a very shocked alarm, entirely natural, at the little news news that only in the neighborhood of European settlements. Civilization does not agree with the Andaman Islanders—they are gradually dying out like the aborigines of Australia and the islanders of the Pacific—London Standard.

FORTY YEARS AGO

From the British Colonist, Thursday, September 17, 1868.

The secretary of the interior has received an affidavit from the president of the Union Pacific Railroad, announcing that an additional section of road, extending to the seven hundred and eighteenth mile post west of Omaha, has been completed. Passenger trains are running on the Central Pacific two hundred and thirty-five miles east of Sacramento, making 995 miles of road complete. The track is being laid down on the eastern end of the road at the rate of four miles per day. At this rate, before the close of next summer, the entire road will be completed, and the traveler can cross the continent from the Atlantic to the Pacific in eight days.

Free Trade.—A very general inquiry prevails as to the authorship of the letter upon this topic, appearing in our columns on Tuesday morning. The subject is not exhausted, and as it bears closely upon our immediate wants and interest, this important question cannot, at present, be too thoroughly ventilated.

ABOUT PEOPLE

On Queen Margherita's return from her motor trip to chamonix and Alpes-Bains over the Little St. Bernard into Italy, the veteran French Alpine guide Leopold Grand was waiting on the summit of the pass to salute her. He was wearing the Order of Merit presented to him in 1887 by King Humbert, and the Order of the Legion of Honor conferred by President Loubet, both Orders having been obtained for saving the lives of French and Italian Alpine troops near the pass and for exceptional bravery. Queen Margherita stopped her motor car, and, stepping out, shook hands with Grand, whom she congratulated on having saved three more lives during the past winter. She presented the old man with a souvenir, then re-entering her motor car, waved her handkerchief as long as she could see the solitary figure standing on the pass. Grand has lived in a tiny refuge hut on the Little St. Bernard for the past twenty-five years in the employment of the French government, and during that time has saved about a hundred lives.

BRITISH OPINION

It is much to be regretted, remarks the Standard, that M. Botha has permitted himself on the eve of the prostration of the Transvaal parliament to refer to Lord Milner's administration in terms which constituted a breach of the etiquette customarily observed in public debate. Mr. Botha may not unnaturally suppose that his blabber will not find favor at Westminster, and if he is mistaken, at least it is not the fault of the late Under Secretary for the Colonies, to whose ingenuity and enterprise the Premier largely owes his present position. Apparently Mr. Botha desires to impress the Imperial Minister with a sense of his royal determination to reverse the principles and traditions of the late High Commission. We doubt, however, if this sudden candour will be received with any enthusiasm by the Liberal party. Having secured the retrocession of the Transvaal by an act of "unparalleled magnanimity," which they take as pleasure in describing as the beginning of a new era of High civilisation, justice and freedom, every fresh exposure of the real state of affairs must be singularly unpalatable. Any reference to Chinese slavery, for instance, has become extremely painful, the subject of the five million loan cannot be mentioned in the House without arousing poignant emotion, and in the matter of the retrenched civil servants Colonel Seely has not been persuaded even to state the facts of the case. Now Mr. Botha has been so indiscreet as to put some—not all—of his cards on the table. He has openly rejected the whole policy to which alone he owes such prosperity as the Transvaal enjoys today.

Lady Chichester, who has just joined the majority, will have a claim to the remembrance of riders to bound as the lady who was instrumental in once bringing about the resignation of Sir John Amory, and of a brother, M.F.H. This, says the Pall Mall Gazette, was when she closed the Arlington covers out of deference to her dislike to the cruelty of fox-hunting. Otherwise she was remarkable as being the widow of two Chichesters, both of them baronets. Her first husband was a Chichester of Raleigh, the holder of a Cornelian baronetcy of 1641, and representative of a family seated at Raleigh for four or five centuries. Her second husband, the late Sir Alexander Chichester, of Arlington, was the second and last holder of that title, which was some forty years old when he died. But both these families of Chichester descend from a common ancestor, John Chichester, whose son Amlas was the origin of the Arlington branch.

The well-known bibliophile, Mr. Wilfrid Voynich, has settled in Florence, where he and his staff are busily cataloguing the Franchising Library. Mr. Voynich had the curious experience of arriving on the scene when the owner was selling the priceless manuscripts and folios by weight, to be carted away and used for waste paper. He was thus able to obtain possession of books which are in many cases unique. The book-lovers of Europe are looking forward with keen interest to the publication of the catalogues. Doubtless many lost volumes of the wonderful Middle Ages are lying in the discourses' backroom, waiting to be rediscovered. Mr. Voynich is one of the leaders of the Russian Revolutionary Movement. Of noble Polish family, his estates were confiscated during his father's time, and he himself imprisoned for political reasons at the age of fourteen. Later he spent some years in the dungeons of St. Peter and St. Paul—the state prison of St. Petersburg. There obtaining permission to read, he began the studies which led to his knowledge of eighteen languages. On leaving this fortress Mr. Voynich was taken with his fellow prisoners to Siberia, and from there he was managed to escape, only to be recaptured and subjected to severer restraint than before. Escaping again, after several years, he arrived in England penniless, but his brilliant knowledge assisted him, and today he is one of the most fascinating characters in the literary world. He married the English daughter of a well-known scholar, who also knows eighteen languages, and has made her name with her pen. Her novels, of which "The Gadfly" was the first to be widely read, are too well known to need any comment.

Mr. J. J. Shannon, R.A., who studied in the South Kensington Schools, was unknown and struggling for recognition for many years. Now his portraits, which are universally admired, cost the sitters £800 to £1,000, at the present day. Mr. Sargent, the greatest portrait painter of the century, was in London for five years before he could obtain a commission. Mr. Max Bohm, whose work is forcing itself steadily into public notice, is a member of Chelsea Art Club, and was on the committee of the present exhibition at the Albert Hall. He strongly advises young people not to wait for money to marry. He himself having had £2 left over when his wedding expenses were paid, and he speaks from experience and says "money is not necessary to happiness."

The somewhat picturesque, not to say musical, name of Robin Overleigh has not been long before the public, and is in consequence not as well known as it is safe to say it will be in a few months' time. For Mr. Robin Overleigh has been engaged as

the bass baritone of the Tetrazzini party, and sets out in a few weeks to tour the provinces with the great prima donna. Mr. Overleigh, who is a Londoner, has been under the very best masters and is very much in love with his art. He has youth and good looks and a well-trained voice, so that it is not surprising he is already a favorite in the concert-hall and has attracted the attention of Mr. Percy Harrison, who is responsible for Madame Tetrazzini's touring arrangements.

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Sympathy will be extended to Sir Henry Craik, M.P. for the Universities of Glasgow and Aberdeen by many of his fellow-members in the loss he has sustained by the death of his son Captain John Gordon Edgeworth Craik, of Eton and Oxford young Craik was distinguished as an athlete, and particularly as an oarsman, having stroked his college boat for three years in succession. He served through the South African campaign; in 1903 he became transport officer in Somaliland; two years later he went to Egypt, serving on the White Nile, and in 1907, while on the Abyssinian frontier, he contracted malarial fever, from the effects of which he died, in his thirtieth year, at the Osborne Convalescent Home.

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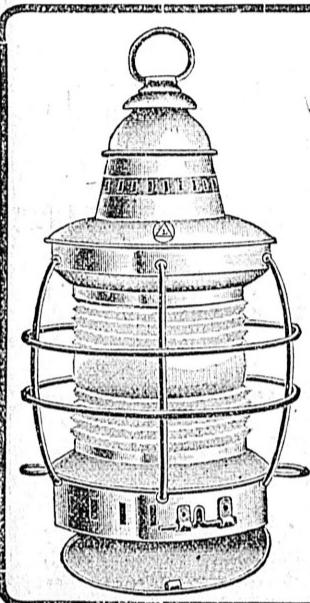
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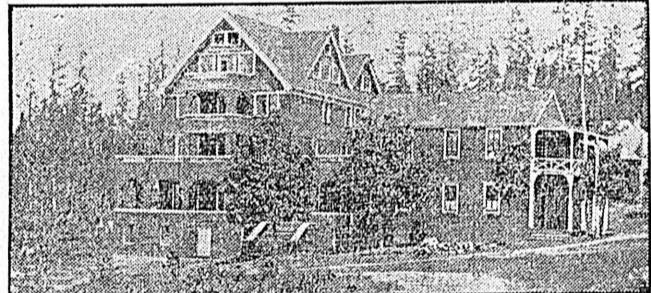
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Exhibition Service

Next week there will be morning and afternoon trains over the E. & N. railway, both coming and going, on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. This alteration of the regular winter schedule has been made for the convenience of the exhibitors and others residing in outside districts who may wish to attend the local provincial fair. Excursion rates will be announced later.

Clergymen Confer

Rev. Merton Smith, of Vancouver, is in the city conferring with Rev. Herman Carson, pastor of the local First Congregation church, and Rev. T. W. Gladstone, rector of the Reformed Episcopal church, regarding the arrangement of a programme for the inter-denominational convention which will be held in Victoria next month.

Committee Active

A special committee of the board of trade is actively engaged in the endeavor to arrange for the continuance of the double daily service over the E. & N. during the winter months. Mr. Marpole, executive assistant of the C.P.R., has been interviewed in regard to the matter since his arrival in Victoria. It is understood, however, that he has given no definite reply.

Then Glass, Ellin & Co., known as the construction company of England, brought the Great Eastern and agreed

NEWS OF THE CITY

Fine Peaches Grown Here Some excellent peaches weighing 2½ lbs. to the box, which were grown by Mr. Gardner in Victoria West, are shown in a restaurant window on Government street west.

Patients' Favorable Progress.

All the patients, including the Rev. Mr. McCrossen, who have been the victims of accidents recently and who are under treatment in St. Joseph's hospital, are progressing favorably.

Y.M.C.A. Directors to Meet.

The directors of the Y.M.C.A. meet at their rooms tomorrow evening for the purpose of electing the officers for the ensuing year and striking the committees.

Rendall Case Postponed.

The railroad billiard room appeal was again put off yesterday. It is to be tried by the chief justice, who has intimated that he will be unable to hear it this week.

Hockey Club Meeting

A meeting of the Victoria Ladies' Hockey Club will be held Monday evening, September 21st, at 8 o'clock, at the residence of Miss Lowe, 204 South Government street. All members are requested to be present.

Magistrate Away.

Judge Jay left last night for Vancouver to attend the committee of the Royal Institution of Learning, with the result that he will not be in the police court this morning. He will, however, be on the bench as usual tomorrow.

Place Prizes on View

The 125 handsome prizes, which have been valuably won by members of the city Y.M.C.A. during the past year, will be placed on exhibition in Messrs. Drake and Horn's window, on Yates street, during the present week, and will remain on view during the greater part of all events of fair week.

Y.M.C.A. Tent At Fair.

The Y.M.C.A. people purpose, as is customary, to erect a large circular tent or marquee upon the exhibition grounds, where during exhibition week genuine and "square" meals at the 25 cent rate are promised by the members of the Ladies' Auxiliary, during the five days of the fair. The site for the tent has already been located, and it will be erected on Saturday next.

Clergy Are Returning

The Rev. E. G. Miller, the rector of St. Barnabas church, is expected home from England and the great Pan-American congress, some time during the coming week. Bishop Perrin and the Rev. Mr. Cooper, who will remain in Montreal for several days in order to attend the general synod of the Church of England in Canada, will not reach home until the first week in October.

Entertainment at St. Saviour's

The Rev. Mr. Connell will entertain the members and friends of the congregation of St. Saviour's church in the church schoolroom, in Victoria West, tomorrow evening week with a magic lantern exhibition of a most varied and interesting character, illustrating persons who have played a leading part in the history of England as well as many delightful English scenes. A page in William the Conqueror's Domes Day Book, the portrait of Alfred, who is well named the Great, having been the founder of the British navy, and many historical pictures, will be included in the collection.

To Complete Arrangements.

A meeting of the reception committee in connection with the forthcoming visit of the Canadian Mining Institute excursion will be held in the Board of Trade building this afternoon at 4 o'clock, to make final arrangements for the reception and entertainment of the excursion party, which will arrive in Victoria next Monday evening by the Charmer from Vancouver.

Licenses Transferred.

The board of license commissioners held a special meeting yesterday afternoon when the following transfers of licenses were ratified: The Drillard hotel, from C. A. Harrison to Harry Hemming; Commercial hotel, from Samuel Shore to Joseph Lucas. A wholesale license was also granted to John Robertson & Sons, effective July 15.

More Paint Needed.

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In your paper of August 25 you endeavor to give us some information regarding the laying of the first Atlantic cables. Being a telegraph operator on the Newfoundland line at the time, I come pretty near knowing the facts. You are right about the laying of the first cable by the Niagara and the Agamemnon to Bay of Bulls Arm, Newfoundland, but I am very doubtful about its successful working for any length of time. True, I repeated part of the famous message sent by Queen Victoria to President Buchanan, but we never got the signature, though there was enough went through to enable Cyrus W. Field to dispose of enough of stock to tide him over until the next cable came.

Then Glass, Ellin & Co., known as the construction company of England, brought the Great Eastern and agreed

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to lay a cable for a certain figure and they did it.

The Great Eastern was forced to cut the cable of 1865 through stress of weather. It returned with the rest of the cable in her hold. The construction company then made a new cable and coiled it in on top of the other and after successfully laying the cable to Hearts Content, Newfoundland, returned and grappled the 1865 cable and spliced it to what she had and brought it on to Hearts Content also.

The fact that messages could be sent under water had been fully demonstrated for years before by a cable of 90 miles running from Cape Worth on Cape Breton to Cape Race on Newfoundland. I had charge of the Newfoundland office at the end of the cable for three years.

The cause of failure with the first cable was on account to them trying to work it with the Morse instruments which require a strong current and the cable being so perfectly insulated it melted the core. But when the 1865 and 1866 were landed the Henly instrument had been invented, which reads by sight. And when I was there they were working that 2000 miles of cable with seven cups of ordinary Chester battery, which would scarcely have worked ten miles of land wire with the Morse instruments, and the operators told me they had got signals from Valentia with a battery made in a woman's thimble.

Bank Clearings Increase.

Local bank clearings again showed a gratifying increase during the past week over those for the previous week. For the week ended Tuesday total clearings were \$1,225,261, an increase over the previous week of \$209,444, when the figures were \$1,015,817.

To Open Kindergarten Class.

Miss Winifred Redfern, who has lately returned from a two years' visit to England, where she went through a course of instruction in the kindergarten system of teaching at the Aubrey-Jones school, is now prepared to take pupils at her father's residence, 618 St. John's street.

Entertainment at St. Saviour's

The Rev. Mr. Connell will entertain the members and friends of the congregation of St. Saviour's church in the church schoolroom, in Victoria West, tomorrow evening week with a magic lantern exhibition of a most varied and interesting character, illustrating persons who have played a leading part in the history of England as well as many delightful English scenes. A page in William the Conqueror's Domes Day Book, the portrait of Alfred, who is well named the Great, having been the founder of the British navy, and many historical pictures, will be included in the collection.

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A meeting of the reception committee in connection with the forthcoming visit of the Canadian Mining Institute excursion will be held in the Board of Trade building this afternoon at 4 o'clock, to make final arrangements for the reception and entertainment of the excursion party, which will arrive in Victoria next Monday evening by the Charmer from Vancouver.

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MORE EXHIBITORS IN THIS YEAR'S SHOW

Entries for Next Week's Fair
Establish Record—Special
Entertainment Features

As 632 is to 491 so the forthcoming
provincial exhibition, to be held from
the 22nd to the 26th inst., will compare
with the last show held under the
auspices of the British Columbia Agricultural
association. The time for the receiving of entries closed on Saturday
night. As is usual there was a
rush of late applications, and J. A.
Sturt, the secretary, was unable to
make a comparison until yesterday.
When the totals were available he
found that the fair of next week had
attracted no less than one hundred
and forty-one more exhibitors than
had that of last fall. Nor was that all.
It was discovered, on searching
the records, that each individual,
striking a general average, had entered
a far greater amount in the different
classes and that the show, taking
it all through, would be the biggest
that has ever been held in Victoria.

Detailed Comparison.

"Figures, they say, can't lie," re-
marked the secretary yesterday afternoon,
"and there you have them." He
went on, in order to show the increased
interest manifested in every class, to
specify. Up to the present there were
about the same number of horses
promised as were entered last year.
But, it was pointed out, there were
many applications for stall accommoda-
tion coming by mail, some of which had
reached the city since Saturday
evening. Among these were thirty-
one belonging to S. R. O'Neill, of Vernon,
included in which was a cele-
brated draft gelding team and a couple
of teams of high steppers. In cattle
there were 55 head more this year than
last; in sheep the comparison was
117 to 110; in swine, 121 to 55; in
fruit 312 to 209; in poultry 563 to 540;
in flowers 442 to 257; in the women's
department 669 to 484 and in the art
department 171 to 130. Special attention
was drawn to the fruit, it being
the opinion of the officials that there
would be well nigh twice as much of
that than ever before, the majority of
entries being in the commercial classes
which necessitated boxes being dis-
played in each instance instead of
plates as had hitherto been permitted.

Classes Filled.

The horse show class—which is an
innovation—Mr. Smart thought would
prove a splendid success. He said that
all the classes were filled with the ex-
ception of two, and that the entries
were numerous in such case. The
competition promised to be keen and
judging by the ready sale for the boxes
in the pavilion, at which the judging
would take place each evening, there
was likely to be a large attendance of
the public during the distribution of
the awards. In fact he anticipated
that the horse show would be a feature
appreciated and that the general
endorsement would be evinced by the
patronage.

A number of those who have been
appointed to act as judges already
have arrived in the city: J. G. Barron,
of Carberry, Man., who will distribute
the blue ribbons in the beef cattle
classes; George W. Gray, of Newcastle,
Ont., who will judge heavy horses, and W.
Staley Spark, of England, who will
be presiding official in connection
with light horses, have called on the
secretary. All, it is stated, express
themselves delighted with Victoria
and ready to take on the onerous duties
devolving upon them at the earliest
possible moment.

New Attractions.

Of course the horse races will be the
principal entertainment during exhibition
week. Still it is customary to arrange
for a number of side entertainments
and this year the secretary has paid special attention to that
phase of the programme, and as a result,
has a number of features of a novel character to offer. He has engaged Prof. F. Sylvan, the aeronaut,
who will make a balloon ascension
once a day and while in the air mysteriously extricate himself from heavy
shackles and an ironbound trunk. Another
drawing card announced is the
guideless pacer, College Maid. This
equine will do the mile in time closely
approaching the record without the
presence of a driver. She will start
herself at the sound of the bell and at
the finish will slow down to a similar
signal. Returning to the grand stand she will make a formal
bow and then, turning to the grand
stand, will acknowledge the plaudits,
which are bound to follow, in the
same manner. Recently at Bellingham
the College Maid went the mile
in 2.09, which, as every horseman
knows, is well above the average, to
say the least. In addition there will be
three double teams in attendance
ready to put on the Roman Hippodrome
races. At the start the riders will ride,
at the speed limit of their
mounts, one foot on one steed and the
other on the back of its mate. The
winners will decide the issue in
chariot, the drivers being clad in the
costume which according to history
was worn in the contests held centuries
ago in Rome when the empire
of that name was at the zenith of its
glory. This is all that had been ar-
ranged in the entertainment line as
yet, but it is not improbable that the
secretary will have a further and per-
haps more important announcement to
make at an early date.

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HOLD MEETING NEXT WEEK

Senior Club Will Re-Organize—Ladies Also Are Highly Interested

Hockey is going to boom in Victoria this year. That is the statement made by its devotees in no uncertain voice. They assert that, though the game played on grass may not be as fast, nor possibly as exciting as that peculiar to the ice, this city's representatives are going in for the fight for the British Columbia championship in earnest. The annual meeting for the purpose of organization has been fixed to take place early next week and, meanwhile, the principal promoters of the pastime, among whom might be mentioned J. Hart, J. Lawson and B. Schwengers, would like to obtain the names of any strangers who would care to become identified with them in this winter's prospective struggles.

What were the indications of Victoria having a strong first eleven was a question asked one of the prime backers of the sport yesterday. "They are splendid," was the enthusiastic response. He said that what was wanted was that the boys should get together and co-operate, not for one month or even two, but until the series was complete and the coveted cup had been landed in this city. And he thought they were prepared to enter into the preparations in such spirit. If so, then success was practically assured. The material was available if it was properly welded together. That somewhat hard task would be made the lighter this year because of the evidence on every hand of a willingness and a determination to bring the championship to the Island. Evidently the same spirit animated all the players. Therefore it was not likely to be difficult to bring them in close touch with each other and to cement their personal as well as social acquaintanceship as the season progressed.

A Live Meeting

At the forthcoming annual meeting it was thought there would be an exceptionally large attendance. That gathering would not be a mere formal affair for the election of officers and the transaction of other such cut and dried matters. It would be a live reunion of the hockeyists of the city. On that occasion would be sounded the call which would start the senior team off on its road to victory. That was the spirit in which the players were expected to set out with. A united purpose, willingness on the part of each individual to do everything in his power to help, and proper coaching were all that was required in order that the team should reach the goal in view. To secure this interest, to maintain it throughout the season—that was the problem. But it was the opinion that every player already was so imbued with enthusiasm that they would enter into the plans in a whole-hearted manner from the outset.

Other Teams Preparing

It is pointed out that the Vancouver and Seattle hockeyists are preparing for the season's schedules. Already their hockey players have organized, and at their opening gatherings, there was much enthusiasm and a display of force and determination.

"That's nothing," averred a Victoria player when discussing the matter. "They may go into the game hot-foot—practicing daily, and be unable to hold

the cup back from the Island, providing we go after it in the right way. If we get out all of our men, and if they train faithfully, we will have a team which will make a clean sweep in British Columbia, and should Seattle enter, making it an international affair, our chances would be equally as good. We're confident of success providing the boys will stand together. As the majority have expressed their determination so to do the outcome is not much in doubt."

Ladies Enthusiastic

What the ladies or the high school students are doing in preparation has not yet been announced. From reports, however, they are equally as anxious to get a start. As usual the fair sex of Victoria—at least those inclining towards the popular and healthful sport of outdoor hockey—will be out for the British Columbia cup. Their contests with Vancouver have always been of the friendliest nature. While on the field they struggle hard, fighting every inch of ground, and taking advantage of all weaknesses the other side present to score. But once the whistle blows, once more they are one jolly crowd out for a good time. In this respect the relations between the ladies of the Island and mainland have been exceedingly pleasant, in fact, one of the features of winter sport, and a repetition of the past is looked for by all devotees of the sport in this district.

Americans Won.

Philadelphia, Sept. 15.—The thirty-fourth annual cricket match between All-Canada, representing the United States, and Canada, ended today in defeat for the visitors. The Canadians were all out for 18 runs in their second innings, while the Philadelphians scored 173 in their first inning and had an advantage of 137 runs when play began today.

ORGANIZATION OF HARRIERS CLUB

Y. M. C. A. Juniors Line Up for Winter's Sport—Officers Elected

An organization meeting of the Junior Harringers club of the Y. M. C. A. was held last evening at the club rooms, there being a large and enthusiastic attendance. Physical Director Findlay occupied the chair and among those present were R. Jones, W. Sproule, Neil Law, T. Baker, C. Betterton, W. Day, C. Baylis, William Sproule, C. Baker, G. Crompton and A. McKissack, and Gwynn Kiddie representing the senior body.

It was unanimously decided that a club should be formed and that it would be known as the Victoria Y. M. C. A. Junior Harringers Club. This being agreed on, the election of officers was proceeded with, and resulted as follows: Hon. president, R. W. Clarke; president, Frank Baker; secretary-treasurer, C. Baylis; captain, A. McKissack; vice captain, Walter Sproule; executive committee, C. Betterton, G. Kiddie and E. Vaio.

A meeting of the committee will be held on Monday night at 8 o'clock for the purpose of drafting a constitution and by-laws and to make arrangements for a winter's programme.

The physical director announced that dressing accommodation had been obtained near the Gorge camp site and that all runs would be started from that locality, providing those identified with the new organization were.

Some discussion arose over the selection of club colors, and it was decided that they should be red and white with the association's triangular emblem enclosing the letters "H. C."

In order to meet the financial outlay which will be needed in order that the Harringers may be given a fair start, the imposition of a membership fee of 50 cents was endorsed.

HOW TEAMS FINISHED

In Provincial Intermediate Lacrosse League Competition—Westminster's Clean Record

After the last lacrosse match of the provincial intermediate series, which resulted in a victory for New Westminster over Vancouver, giving the former the championship, the relative positions of the teams was as follows:

Goals.

New Westminster	5	0	42	11
Vancouver A. C.	4	2	27	17
Victoria	1	4	6	36
Fairview	0	4	9	30

Postponed games—Westminster vs. Fairview; Victoria vs. Fairview.

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SUNDAY GAMES ARE STILL A PROBLEM

Victoria Soccer Players Object to Playing Abroad on the Seventh Day

The difficulty confronting the Victoria District Football Association, owing to the refusal of many of the local players to participate in Sunday games, has by no means been surmounted. In Victoria West the sentiment is said to be strong against the proposal that this city's representative aggregation should be identified with any Pacific coast league match either at home or abroad. The same is reported to be the case among J. B. A. A. members, while others are protesting equally vigorously. Under the circumstances it is doubtful whether the officials of the controlling organization will be able to satisfactorily solve the problem without entering into some understanding with the proper officials for the cancellation of the proposed contests, as far as this city is concerned, and bringing them off on other dates. If that can be done, Victoria may be able to participate in the series with success. Should it be impossible to bring about such an agreement it is likely that this city's eleven, for outside fixtures, will not include many of the strongest players, thus robbing it of its chances of capturing the championship pennant.

"BOBBIE" KERR MAY VISIT THE COAST

Popular Canadian Sprinter Extended Invitation to Race at Spokane

"Bobbie" Kerr, the popular Canadian sprinter, who holds the 100-yard championship of England, and won the 220-yard dash in the Olympic games, may be seen on the Coast this fall. In all probability he will race at Spokane, and should be get that far West, the enterprising athletic organizations of Seattle, Victoria and Vancouver will take steps to induce him to continue his tour.

A dispatch from Spokane says:

"Bobbie" Kerr, Canada's speedy champion sprinter, and winner of the 200-meter dash at the London games, has been invited to come to Spokane from Toronto to run at three lively local races, the races to take place between October 5 and 10, during the Spokane Interstate fair. The dashes will be at 100, 200 and 300 meters, with cups to the winner of each and a trophy to the man taking two out of three. Robert H. Cosgrove has authorized Mike Butler, trainer of Halcolson, to incur the expenses necessary to bring Kerr to Spokane, and it is believed the young Canadian will come. Malcolmson has been training all summer at the fair grounds, and under the tutelage of Butler he is developing a new stride. In fact, Butler believes he is now able to shade 10 seconds and says he is fully four yards faster than when he went to the games at Portland last spring.

JOHNSON AND BURNS MEET IN DECEMBER

Fight for World's Championship to Take Place at Sydney

Sydney, N.S.W., Sept. 16.—Jack Johnson, the American colored pugilist, has signed articles for a fight with Tommy Burns, the heavyweight champion, the fight to take place in this city in December and to be for the championship of the world. Burns said today that this will be his last fight.

Off For Australia.

London, Sept. 16.—Jack Johnson signed articles for a fight with Burns at the New South Wales office here today and booked passage on the steamer Ortega for Sydney, sailing on Friday. The terms of the match provide that the winner shall receive \$30,000 and loser \$20,000.

RACE IN EXHIBITION WEEK IS PROJECTED

Should Alexandra Fail to Reach Here Saturday—Spirits' Owners Ready

No definite reply has yet been received to the telegram forwarded by C. O. Julian of the Royal Vancouver Yacht club last evening to E. B. Deane stating that the new owners of the Spirit were willing to meet the Alexandra over a local course on Saturday. The only answer forthcoming was one to the effect that full particulars by the next mail would be welcomed. Mr. Julian has forwarded a communication explaining the situation, and while he anticipates that the matter will be given prompt attention, he expresses some doubt as to whether the Alexandra will be able to make the trip in time to take part in Saturday's regatta, which is to be held under the auspices of the local club.

But Mr. Julian, other officials of the Vancouver association and members of the local organization, have a project in mind which if carried through will be productive of one of the finest exhibitions of yachting seen at this point for many months. It is proposed that the Alexandra and the Spirit be brought together sometime next week, while the annual local provincial exhibition is in progress, thus affording a material drawing card for the show. In the event of such an arrangement it is thought that the executive of the agricultural association could well afford to hand up a purse to make it worth the trouble and the expense attaching to the engaging of crews for the respective craft, and the outlay entailed in putting them in racing trim once for this season. Already J. A. Smart, secretary of the agricultural association, has been waiting on, but not having had time to consult with other members of the executive, he explained that it was impossible for him to come to any definite understanding.

Meanwhile the yachtsmen are on tip toe. Both the sportsmen of Victoria and Vancouver want to see the contest brought off and that as soon as it can be done. The local men are desirous of ascertaining whether the Spirit is capable of defeating the famous Fifte craft with a Canadian at the helm. They have full confidence in C. W. McIntosh, rating him as one possessing the necessary experience and resource to cope with E. B. Dean, the skipper of the Alexandra. While, of course, the greatest desire is to see the boats in motion, with all sails spread in a fair wind, the pitting of the Victorians against Vancouver's distinguished yachtsmen adds much to the anticipation of those connected with the mainland and the island clubs. Rivalry is keen the boats representative of British Columbia's principal yachting centres are at anchor and very little is required to put them in shape the skippers and the crews are desirous of trying conclusions. Under such circumstances everyone is optimistic of seeing the competition take place here at an early date.

Can't Come Now.

A dispatch from Vancouver relative to the prospect of a race between the Alexandra and Spirit was received late last night. It follows:

"E. B. Deane will not take Alexandra to Victoria to race for the cup at present, but is open to proposal from the new owners of the Spirit if they want to race. The Alexandra has not been out of the water since the end of July."

What action Victoria yachtsmen will take in view of this statement is a matter for conjecture. As, however, they are exceedingly anxious that the two boats should be brought together at an early date, it is likely that the proposition referred to will be professed without delay.

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Close to a hundred horses that have been sent up north for the ten days of racing in Vancouver and Victoria. The class of the horses sent insures the best racing that the British Columbia cities have ever had, and should prove a good filler-in before the North Yakima meeting, which will be heavily attended by horsemen and their stables represented at the local meeting this summer.

The Vancouver meeting began yesterday, and racing will continue for five days under the auspices of the Vancouver Jockey club in conjunction with the Western Canada Turf association. Six races are scheduled for each day, with no purse less than \$150, and number of good stake races.

From Vancouver the horses will be sent over to Victoria, where racing will begin a week from yesterday, ending Saturday, Sept. 26. High class cards will also be put on here.

From Victoria a large number of horse owners will jump to North Yakima for the racing during the fair. The two Canadian meetings will be held at the Meadows now, exercising their horses in preference to California, even though they expect to compete on the southern tracks this winter.

Some discussion arose over the question of an age limit. Finally it was agreed that only players under or of fifteen years of age would be permitted to take part in any of the regular matches.

The first game, it was decided, would take place on Oct. 3, the contestants being representatives of South Park and Central schools, the match to be played on the former's grounds. On the following Saturday, the 10th of the month, the second of the series would be played, North Ward and Victoria West being the competing elements. The contest to be held on North Ward's area, the arrangement of the remainder of the schedule was left in the hands of a committee comprising A. Smith of the High school; W. H. Blinn, of Central; W. N. Winsby, of South Park.

Other matters of detail were debated before adjournment.

BASEBALL RESULTS

Northwestern.

At Vancouver—Vancouver 1, Spokane 0.

At Tacoma—Seattle 5, Tacoma 2.

At Aberdeen—Aberdeen 4, Butte 1.

National.

At New York—Louis 2, New York 6.

At Brooklyn—Clyde 0, Brooklyn 3.

At Philadelphia—First game: Pittsburgh 2, Philadelphia 5.

Pittsburgh 2, Philadelphia 0.

At Boston—Chicago 5, Boston 0.

American.

At Chicago—Chicago 1, Cleveland 7.

At St. Louis—Detroit 4, St. Louis 1.

Eastern.

At Jersey City—Providence 3, Jersey City 2.

At Baltimore—Baltimore 1, Newark 10.

At Toronto—Toronto 4, Buffalo 1.

At Rochester—Rochester 5, Montreal 9.

Northwestern.

Won. Lost. Pet.

Vancouver 73 46 .56

Spokane 68 63 .519

Aberdeen 64 61 .512

Tacoma 62 61 .512

Bethel 55 61 .474

Seattle 58 78 .426

W. L. for agst.

New Westminster 5 0 42 11

Vancouver A. C. 4 2 27 17

Victoria 1 4 6 36

Fairview 0 4 9 30

On the Waterfront

AKI MARU IN FROM YOKOHAMA

Stowaway Deported on Last Voyage Again Makes Effort to Land Here

HID IN THE CHAIN LOCKER

Capt. H. K. James and Japanese Professors Among the Passengers

For the second time S. Nobuzo, one of three stowaways jailed on arrival of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha steamer Aki Maru, was endeavoring to make an unauthorized passage to Victoria on the Japanese liner. On the last voyage he was given in charge as a stowaway and deported, and when the Aki Maru was five days out from Yokohama on her present voyage he and two other stowaways crawled from a cabin locker in the forecastle of the Japanese steamer. They were not hungry, having seemingly been supplied with food while in hiding. The three were given in charge to the city police on arrival of the steamer and will be held until the steamer leaves two weeks hence for deportation.

The Aki Maru brought 20 saloon, 11 intermediate and 51 steerage passengers and landed 3 intermediate and 9 steerage passengers. The total cargo was 1,920 tons, of which 121 tons was landed at the outer wharf. The saloon passengers included Capt. H. K. James, general manager in Europe of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha who is returning to England after a visit to Japan, where he received the order of the Rising Sun from the emperor, and Mrs. James and the Misses James, accompanied by S. Kondo, son of Rempel Kondon, president of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, who is taking a holiday trip to England. Capt. James has been confined to his room, suffering from a severe cold for the last two days and will seek medical attention on arrival at Seattle. Prof. O. Anano, of the Imperial university, was bound to Berlin to attend a convention of electrical workers, and T. Kitahara and N. Masuda were bound to England to study some manufactures in which the government is interested. F. R. Bryant, a barrister, from Perak, Malay states, where he is heavily interested in tin mines, which cleared \$50,000 profit last year, and Mrs. Brany debarked here and took passage for Vancouver yesterday afternoon. Mrs. L. Epperley, wife of a Shanghai resident, and child, were en route to London, and A. J. Souza, a Seattle merchant returned from his twenty-eighth Oriental buying trip.

Mr. Souza said: "I have been travelling extensively in China and Japan and the Philippines. In Japan the financial situation is very bad and foreign merchants are suffering severely, owing to the Japanese not fulfilling their contracts."

The Japanese are refusing to take delivery of the goods shipped

and on the way to them owing to the existing depression, and heavy losses

are being occasioned in consequence.

The taxes are gradually rising, and it has been found necessary to greatly curtail government expenditure. Just before we left, Matsuji Katsuma, the new premier, announced his financial policy in which it was provided that a curtailment of \$100,000,000, gold, not yen, should be made in the expenditure. Of this 30 per cent will be taken from the military expenses and 10 per cent from the naval appropriations.

The Japanese are making great preparations to receive the United States battleship squadron on Oct. 17 at Yokohama and arrangements have been completed by the naval department for very big naval manoeuvres in which 180 warships of all kinds will take part, timed for the same time. The manoeuvres begin on Oct. 15, two days before the United States battleship squadron is scheduled to arrive. In China the recent floods and heavy storms have recently caused heavy losses in the south. The recent typhoon did damage amounting to \$5,000,000 at Hongkong alone.

The Aki Maru had a stormy time near the meridian. The barometer dropped to 28.87 and a strong gale blew with a very high sea. Waves flooded the vessel, big seas sweeping inboard, but no damage was sustained to the vessel. The cargo is not thought to have been damaged. It was made up as follows: For Seattle: Tea, 12,837 packages; matting, 6,171 packages; bamboo, 5,646; rice, 2,104 mats; peanuts, 638 sacks; silk bulbs, 2,342 cases; porcelain and earthenware, 2,450 packages and tubs; general merchandise, 2,000; raw silk and silk goods, 841 bales, valued at \$368,000. For Victoria the steamer brought 400 bags of sugar, 320 mats of rice, 125 packages and tubs of provisions, 709 tubs of misu and soy, and 322 packages of general merchandise.

For the first time since the boycott was waged against Japan in South China became effective there were Chinese on board the Japanese steamers. On the Aki Maru were three steerage passengers who had bravely the wrath of the guilds by taking passage on a Japanese steamer.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN TO PROTECT SEALS

Treaty Being Arranged to Make Prohibited Zone at Copper and Robben Islands

Bringing news that arrangements have almost perfected for a treaty between Russia and Japan relating to pelagic sealing whereby hunting will be prohibited within thirty miles of the Copper Island rookeries of Russia in the north Pacific and Robben Island rookeries held by Japan since the recent war, the steamer Aki Maru, Capt. M. Yagi, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha,

MARINE INTELLIGENCE

Special to the Colonist
Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Clear, wind south, 5 miles an hour.

Port Crescent, 8 a.m.—In, a steamer with black hull and black stack at 5:20 a.m.

Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, wind west, 4 miles an hour.

By Wireless
Pachena, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, calm. Bar, 29.96, temp. 47. Sea moderate. No shipping.

Estevan, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, calm. Bar, 30.04, temp. 48. Sea smooth. No shipping.

Cape Lazo, 8 a.m.—Clear and calm. Bar, 30.02, temp. 47. Sea smooth. No shipping.

Point Grey, 8 a.m.—Clear, and strong northwest wind. Bar, 29.94, temp. 53.

Cape Lazo, noon—Clear, light northwest wind. Bar, 30.01, temp. 51. Sea smooth. No shipping.

Cape Lazo, 6 p.m.—Cloudy and calm. Bar, 30.02, temp. 55. Sea smooth. South, steamer Portland, at 2:10 p.m.

Point Grey, 6 p.m.—Clear, light northwest wind. Bar, 29.97, temp. 60.

reached port yesterday morning from the Orient. Efforts are being made by those Japanese interested in sealing to bring influence to bear to prevent the Japanese government from joining with Great Britain and the United States in the sealing treaty for the protection of the seal herds in Bering sea. Owing to the peculiar position of the Japanese sealers they have been given a strange advantage over all others, the Bering sea being practically maintained at heavy expense as a sealing preserve for them, and they are not anxious to lose this advantage. The Russian representative at Tokio who has been instructed to negotiate a sealing treaty with Japan, however, is seeking to have the Japanese also enter into the treaty between Great Britain and America, which would have the effect of protecting all the seal rookeries of the North Pacific. Meanwhile the treaty has been practically concluded whereby sealing schooners will be prevented from hunting within thirty miles of Copper and Robben Island rookeries. This is but half the distance of the prohibited zone in Bering sea under the Anglo-American sealing treaty. During the last few years Japanese sealers have been raiding at the Copper Island rookeries and a number of seizures have taken place, incidents arising which threatened to disturb the relations of both Russia and Japan, the last being the seizure of the schooner Miyu Maru for raiding Copper Island. This schooner started for Bering sea, but instead went to the Copper Island rookeries where on May 29 she was seized by a Russian patrol vessel.

HAZEL DOLLAR TAKES CARGO FOR CAPE NOME

Called Here to Secure Chief Engineer—Has Coal for a Price War

The steamer Hazel Dollar, Capt. Ridley, of the Dollar Steamship Company, with 7,400 tons of coal for Kotzebue Sound or Cape Nome, from Nanaimo, anchored off the outer wharf yesterday to ship a new chief engineer to replace Chief Engineer Welton, who had to be left behind at Nanaimo for medical treatment. He fell between the steamer and the coal bunkers, striking heavily on a fender lying alongside the vessel, and breaking it. According to advices from Seattle, the big cargo of coal is being taken north for the purpose of starting a price war for fuel at the northern port. The Seattle Post-Intelligencer says: "According to current report, Schubach Hamiton are the charterers of the Hazel Dollar, but Albert Schubach last night entered a denial. Aside from being Seattle representative of the Dollar Steamship company, which owns the Hazel Dollar, Mr. Schubach said that he has no connection whatever with the big steamer's charter or cargo."

"From other sources it is learned that the enterprise is being backed by a number of prominent firms which hope to reduce the price of fuel and incidentally to clean up a neat profit on the business at Nome, and coal has retailed at from \$18 to \$22.50 a ton. It is reported locally that this firm has an agreement that it was to get all the coal intended for the Norton Sound country that was brought at the Nanaimo mines."

"The manner in which this understanding was overcome forms a rather interesting tale. A Seattle firm has a standing contract for Nanaimo coal at \$4.50 a ton, but this firm does not ship to Norton Sound. The charterers of the Hazel Dollar purchased a cargo from this company at \$5.25, and the big freighter's holds were filled with fuel for the north. The Hazel Dollar was reported to be loading for Kotzebue Sound, but obviously it is too late to discharge north of Bering sea. This fuel is consigned to points on Norton Sound, and that will precipitate lively competition there is no question. It is understood that the men who bought this cargo and engaged the steamer formed a combination opposed to the interests that have so long held a monopoly on coal and on lighterage. It is stated that every ton of coal sold in Nome netted a profit of over \$5 in addition to the profit made by transferring it from ship to shore."

"There is no question that this competition will be continued next season. It is now too late for other opposition cargoes to be shipped to Norton Sound, but the big consignment on the Hazel Dollar is likely to start something. Incidentally the opposition will prepare itself during the winter for an interesting fight next season."

Officers of the steamers Chippewa and Sentinel have submitted sworn statements of the details of the mishap which occurred in Seattle harbor last Saturday morning. For the Chippewa, Capt. A. N. McAlpine and Chief Engineer Edward Barnum state that the collision occurred at 8:45 a.m., adding: "It was very foggy. Our fog signals were sounded regularly and every precaution was taken. Our steamer, as far as we can see, sustained no damage. As the Sentinel's bow was badly stove in, we stood by and took the other passengers, bringing them back to the dock at Seattle, and then proceeded on our usual run."

Capt. Henry Henderson of the Sentinel reports that the collision occurred at 8:45 a.m., adding: "We were inward bound, and when approximately half way between Duwamish

SEALERS MAKING BIGGER CATCHES

Good Weather Aided the Local Schooners According to Advices of Algerine

That the sealing fleet from Victoria will make a better average catch than for some seasons past is probable, according to the report brought by the H. M. S. Algerine from Bering sea. The Algerine boarded four of the local fleet, their catches ranging from 136 to 230 sealkins up to the middle of August. Good weather was experienced throughout August, better weather than the sealers had known for many years in Bering sea, and it was expected that good averages would be made.

The catches reported by the Algerine were as follows:

Allie I. Alger, Aug. 18, 227 skins; Dora Steward, Aug. 18, 136 skins; Umbra, Aug. 19, 221 skins; Markland, Aug. 19, 230 skins.

The schooners expect to stay in Bering Sea longer this season. Capt. Heater, of the schooner Dora Steward, said the seals were scarce, but improving. He expected to remain in Bering Sea until October 20. The Umbra, which reported that the good weather had aided hunting, had 221 seal skins, having already taken more than she did during the whole of last season. The Allie I. Alger reported that seals were scarce, but better than last year. The Markland, Capt. Heater, with 230 seals taken in Bering Sea, had 536 for the season, having taken 366 on her coast cruise.

The schooners had six hundred sealskins among her catch. She was the only schooner with brand sealers. It is now many years since the notorious branding machine of Profs. Jordan and Farmer was in use on the northern rookeries. The captains spoken with on the Bering Sea had stated that seals seemed more plentiful this year, but were very wild and the difficulties of taking them with spears were great. It was generally expected that with the good weather the catches would range higher than for some seasons. The local sealers had been careful to observe the law, as it affected them—that is, to remain outside the sixty-mile zone and use spears only for hunting, while inside this zone hunting to within three miles of the island were 38 Japanese sealing vessels, the largest fleet in Bering sea flying the Rising Sun flag. The constant fusillade of the Japanese hunters had made the seals wilder than ever before in the knowledge of local sealers.

The only seizures in Bering sea this year were those of the Sakai maru and Kinsel maru, which were captured on July 22, off the northeast point of St. Paul Island. There, where the biggest rookery is located, the U. S. patrol vessels are on guard most of the time. The Japanese sealers were not on the rookery but were within the three-mile limit, and seemingly intended to land. They ran when the Bear came and were captured only after a lively chase. Proceedings will be opened to secure the forfeiture of the schooners. The Sakai maru had 230 skins and the Kinsel maru had 210.

**EMPEROR OF INDIA
SAILS FOR HONGKONG**

Large Throng of Chinese Sailed Homeward on the C. P. R. Liner Last Night

The R.M.S. Empress of India sailed last night from the outer wharf for Hongkong and other Oriental ports. For the time of the year the passenger list was very heavy and the rush of Chinese to get home for the New Year celebrations seems to be setting in at least a month earlier than usual. The India took out between 500 and 600 Chinese in the steerage, most of whom are returning to take part in the New Year festivities. In the saloon there are 90 passengers and 40 in the European steerage. She also has 1,000 tons of cargo.

The saloon passengers who embarked here were Mrs. A. M. Wright for Shanghai, Mrs. E. M. Gibson for Hongkong, L. Kukmann for Yokohama, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Barry and Mrs. W. Barry for Shanghai.

WHALING COMPANIES JOIN

Japanese Will Unite to Secure Close Season Owing to Scarcity of Whales

The many whaling companies of Japan operating steam whalers of the type of the Orion and St. Lawrence in the sea of Japan and off the Korean coast, have formed a combination for the purpose of arranging a close season owing to the decreasing number of whales, according to news received by the steamer Aki Maru, which reached Seattle yesterday.

"The released sealers of the seized

schooner Miyu Maru reached Yokohama from Vladivostok two days before the Aki Maru sailed, and the Japan Advertiser printed an interesting interview giving the first connected account of the happenings of the adventurous voyage. One of the sealers was interviewed as follows by the Advertiser: "The Miyu Maru left Yokohama on April 5th bound for the American coast. She struck very bad weather and was blown out of her course, emerging to the north of the Kurile Islands. Finally one calm day, the crew found themselves near Turehima. Here a boat was lowered, the crew rowed ashore, bagged one sea otter, a blue fox, and several sea lion skins. It being too late to proceed to the American coast the captain decided to make for the Aleutian Islands, there take in a fresh supply of water and proceed to the Bering Sea for the summer season. Again the vessel encountered extremely dirty weather, a combination of wind, rain and snow. The blizzard lasted three days and the Miyu Maru was again blown out of her course. On May 28th, after two weeks of storm and fog, they discovered that they were in Russian waters near the Komandorsky Islands. There was a dead calm coupled with dense fog, so that it was impossible for the Miyu Maru to get away. On the morning of the 29th, however, a slight breeze arose from the southeast and the schooner escaped off to run south and get out of Russian waters and back on her course. But luck died down against her. The wind died down about 2 o'clock, fog came on and at 5 o'clock a Russian transport picked her up and placed her under arrest. Vessel and crew were taken to Petropavlovsk Kamchatska, where they were detained a month."

"On July 6th the crew left for Nikolayevsk, Siberia. After ten days there the Russian authorities started them out with a guard of fifteen soldiers to go aboard the Norwegian ship Prosper, bound for Vladivostok. There having been three or four days' rain the streets were in a frightful state; and some of the Japanese, in trying to avoid the mud, would encroach upon the sidewalk, whereupon the soldiers would push them off, threaten them with their bayonets and so forth. About two blocks from the police station they had to pass along a street where a lot of stones had been dumped to fill up mud holes. One of the crew attempted to get round one of these stones and so doing stepped on to the sidewalk. A soldier promptly jostled him over a pile of stones. The Japanese lost his temper, picked up a stone and hurled it at the soldier, hitting him on the forehead and inflicting a severe wound. The soldier next to the injured man struck the offender with the buttend of his rifle on the right side of the head as he reared for another stone, and inflicted a bad scalp wound. At this several of the Japanese became excited, picked up more stones and proceeded to bombard the escort. The soldiers spread out across the street in the form of a semi-circle, loaded their rifles and fired

three rounds each over the heads of the Japanese, greatly to the surprise of our informant, who took no part in the proceedings, and fully expected that the Russians would shoot them all down, as indeed they would have been fully justified in doing under the circumstances. The Japanese were eventually subdued. The moment the row began soldiers came up at the double from all directions; and in a few minutes fully two or three hundred men must have been upon the scene."

The prisoners were then put on board the Prosper, where they stayed over night. The next morning they were taken ashore and locked up. Six Japanese were then picked out as the authors of the disturbance. Their trial lasted two days, and they were finally sentenced to beheaded. On the morning of July 25th, at 11 o'clock, the condemned men were led out ostensibly to be escorted back to the court, but they never returned. In fact our informant, until his arrival in Japan, was quite convinced from all he heard that the death sentence had been duly carried out.

"The rest of the crew were detained

two days longer at Nikolayevsk and left thence on the 27th for Vladivostok. Our informant states that for a month they existed on tea and bread, their daily allowance per head being fourteen kopeks. On the way to Vladivostok one man went mad and two days before arriving at Vladivostok one died. The madman was placed in a hospital at Vladivostok and died there a few days afterwards. The others spent five days in the municipal jail, and were then released and allowed to go to a hotel. Shortly after this they were notified that their case had been settled and that they would be sent back to Japan, and the vessel restored. Four men were left in the hospital at Vladivostok, while the rest, including our informant, returned via Tsuruga."

The steamer Camosun, of the Union Steamship company, sailed from the outer wharf last night for the north, taking a fair amount of freight. Among her deck passengers were a number of Indians, who have been camping on the outer wharf since their return from the hopfields.

MARAMA AT HONOLULU WITHOUT SIGHTING AEON

A Close Search Maintained Through Passage North for the Missing Steamer

The steamer Marama of the Canadian Australian line, which reached Honolulu on Tuesday a day in advance of her schedule, and is expected to reach port next Tuesday from Sydney, failed to find any trace of the missing steamer Aeon on her voyage north, although a sharp lookout was kept throughout the entire trip for the overdue freighter. The Aeon is now 73 days out, and reinsurance upon her is quoted at 55 per cent. The steamer Hawea, of the New Zealand Shipping Company, which was picked up off Lord Howe island recently with a broken shaft, was 33 days adrift without any news being heard from her.

JAPANESE RAIDERS TELL OF EXPERIENCES

Sealers of Miyu Maru Return to Japan and Tell of Adventurous Cruise and Imprisonment

The released sealers of the seized

schooner Miyu Maru reached Yokohama from Vladivostok two days before the Aki Maru sailed, and the Japan Advertiser printed an interesting interview giving the first connected account of the happenings of the adventurous voyage. One of the sealers was interviewed as follows by the Advertiser: "The Miyu Maru left Yokohama on April 5th bound for the American coast. She struck very bad weather and was blown out of her course, emerging to the north of the Kurile Islands. Finally one calm day, the crew found themselves near Turehima. Here a boat was lowered, the crew rowed ashore, bagged one sea otter, a blue fox, and several sea lion skins. It being too late to proceed to the American coast the captain decided to make for the Aleutian Islands, there take in a fresh supply of water and proceed to the Bering Sea for the summer season. Again the vessel encountered extremely dirty weather, a combination of wind, rain and snow. The blizzard lasted three days and the Miyu Maru was again blown out of her course. On May 28th, after two weeks of storm and fog, they discovered that they were in Russian waters near the Komandorsky Islands. There was a dead calm coupled with dense fog, so that it was impossible for the Miyu Maru to get away. On the morning of the 29th, however, a slight breeze arose from the southeast and the schooner escaped off to run south and get out of Russian waters and back on her course. But luck died down against her. The wind died down about 2 o'clock, fog came on and at 5 o'clock a Russian transport picked her up and placed her under arrest. Vessel and crew were taken to Petropavlovsk Kamchatska, where they were detained a month."

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LIST ABOVE MENTIONED

Name of Person Assessed.	Short Description of Property.	Delinquent Taxes.				
		Taxes,	School Rates	Interest to date of sale	Statutory cost and expenses,	Total
Esquimalt District.						
Thompson, Elizabeth.....	Part N 3/4 Sec. 29 (8 1/2 acres).....	\$ 6.00	.....	\$ 30	\$2.00	\$ 8.30
McNaughton, Regina, et al.	Part Sec. 91 (23.44 acres).....	9.00	.....	40	2.00	11.40
Goldstream District.						
Wilson, John	Sec. 38 (160 acres).....	3.60	\$.70	20	2.00	6.50
Highland District.						
Kinnin, James A	Sec. 30 (160 acres).....	3.60	.....	20	2.00	5.80
Metchosin District.						
Witty, Robert	Lots 8 and 9, Sec. 1 (60 acres).....	14.10	1.70	80	2.00	18.60
Witty, John F	Lots 2 and 3, Sec. 1 (100 acres).....	18.00	.....	85	2.00	20.85
Muir, Minnie Hartley	Lots C and D, Sec. 32, Map 718 (19 acres).....	4.20	.....	20	2.00	6.40
Doering, Chas	Lot A, Sec. 32, Map 718 (16 acres).....	2.40	.....	4	2.00	4.50
Fraser, A. J	Part Sec. 68 (45 acres).....	4.80	1.75	35	2.00	8.90
Stockland, John	Part Secs. 78 and 82 (26 acres).....	3.00	1.10	20	2.00	6.30
Renfrew District.						
Stewart, G. and J	N. 1/2 Sec. 7, Township 14 (286 acres).....	7.20	.....	35	2.00	9.55
Coast District.						
Carroll, J. T	Lots 21 and 22, Range II (178 acres).....	14.00	.....	65	2.00	16.65
Collison, John M.	Lot 557, Group 1, Cassiar (66 acres).....	5.40	.....	25	2.00	7.65
Frederick, Bruno	Lot 346, Group 1, Cassiar (49 acres).....	3.20	.....	15	2.00	5.35
Keynton, Elizabeth	Lot 44, Group 1, Cassiar (96 acres).....	7.60	.....	35	2.00	9.95
Brown, B. D	Lot 570, Group 1, Cassiar (45 acres).....	4.80	.....	20	2.00	7.00
Martin, J. L	Lot 556, Group 1, Cassiar (50 acres).....	6.00	.....	30	2.00	8.30
Oliver, Mary E	Lot 310, Range V (158 acres).....	31.60	2.55	80	2.00	36.10
Little, Geo., and Turner, R. C.	Lot 195, Range V (160 acres).....	19.20	.....	90	2.00	22.10
Renouf, Mrs. A. L.	Lot 3 in E. 1/2 S. W. 1/4 Sec. 11, and Lot 1 in E. 1/2 N. E. 1/4 Sec. 21, Tp. 1, Range V. (26 2/3 acres).....	8.60	5.5	40	2.00	11.55
Simister, John	Part Lots 124 and 125, Range III, (94.59 ac.).....	10.80	.....	85	2.00	13.65
Queen Charlotte Islands.						
Duval, John M	N. E. 1/4 Sec. 15, Township V.	9.60	.....	45	2.00	12.05

J. K. WORSFOLD,
Assessor and Collector, Victoria Assessment District.

Victoria, B. C., 10th September, 1908.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.						
(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.)						
Chicago, Sept. 16.—Wheat—December wheat closed at high point of the day, 750,000 today on an advancing market.						
101 1/4, exactly two cents over the close of yesterday. A number of times recently we have taken occasion to remark that the market has been quiet, the days past, the market price might easily go over 100 and stay there. It got there today with a little more force than most everybody expected in the morning although our outline of the situation before the opening was as bullish as we could make it. The ease only in the trade who have favored the selling side all along in the face of the advancing market were sure large offerings in the way of profit-taking would occur on any upturn from the close yesterday. The bull features are no different from what they have been except that they are lessened. Little by little all the foreign markets have got in line with our trade. There is something wrong on the other side when foreigners will						
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comes here and take one and a quarter million bushels wheat on Monday, five hundred thousand on Tuesday and about 750,000 today on an advancing market. At Minneapolis the big mills took all the wheat on the tables early. Dispatches says that they are buying wheat to arrive at one cent over December price today. Take hold of wheat on breads.

Corn—We anticipate some further dip in corn. The selling this morning was little more vigorous than most people looked for. The price of December had a break to 46 1/2c. It certainly does not look like a market in which it is safe to buy. The ease only in the trade who have favored the selling side all along in the face of the advancing market were sure large offerings in the way of profit-taking would occur on any upturn from the close yesterday. The bull features are no different from what they have been except that they are lessened. Little by little all the foreign markets have got in line with our trade. There is something wrong on the other side when foreigners will

believe the market would respond to any good rebound in corn.

Provisions—Corn was "king" of the provisions trade today. The prospect of lower prices caused the yards and started a break of 17 1/2 to 20 cents in product. At the close the net decline was 10 to 20 cents. We do not believe in much lower corn prices for the season and for this reason favor the buying side of January. Prices on all breaks like that of this morning.

Wheat—Open High. Low. Close.
Sept. 15 100 1/2 101 1/2 101 1/2
Oct. 15 100 1/2 101 1/2 101 1/2
Nov. 15 99 1/2 101 1/2 101 1/2
Dec. 15 102 1/2 103 1/2 103 1/2
Jan. 15 102 1/2 103 1/2 103 1/2
Feb. 15 102 1/2 103 1/2 103 1/2
March 15 102 1/2 103 1/2 103 1/2
April 15 102 1/2 103 1/2 103 1/2
May 15 102 1/2 103 1/2 103 1/2
June 15 102 1/2 103 1/2 103 1/2
July 15 102 1/2 103 1/2 103 1/2
Corn—Open High. Low. Close.
Sept. 15 79 1/2 79 1/2 79 1/2
Oct. 15 78 1/2 79 1/2 79 1/2
Nov. 15 77 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2
Dec. 15 77 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2
Jan. 15 77 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2
Feb. 15 77 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2
March 15 77 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2
April 15 77 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2
May 15 77 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2
June 15 77 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2
July 15 77 1/2 78 1/2 78 1/2
Pork—Open High. Low. Close.
Sept. 15 67 1/2 67 1/2 67 1/2
Oct. 15 66 1/2 67 1/2 67 1/2
Nov. 15 65 1/2 66 1/2 66 1/2
Dec. 15 65 1/2 66 1/2 66 1/2
Jan. 15 65 1/2 66 1/2 66 1/2
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July 15 65 1/2 66 1/2 66 1/2
Lard—Open High. Low. Close.
Sept. 15 9.97 9.97 9.97
Oct. 15 10.07 10.10 10.07
Nov. 15 9.85 9.87 9.82
Dec. 15 9.85 9.92 9.85
Jan. 15 9.85 9.92 9.85
Feb. 15 9.85 9.92 9.85
March 15 9.85 9.92 9.85
April 15 9.85 9.92 9.85
May 15 9.85 9.92 9.85
June 15 9.85 9.92 9.85
July 15 9.85 9.92 9.85

There have been few important changes in local produce prices during the past week and with the exception of a further increase in the price of eggs, which appear to have started on their annual fall and winter climb towards a higher price level, values as a whole remain stationary. For some time past the price of strictly fresh eggs has held remarkably strong, though steady, at 40 cents per dozen, but this figure has been increased now to 45 cents and dealers state that they look for still further advance in a short time, as arrivals here are anything but equal to the heavy demand. The market is fairly well supplied with eastern eggs, but these fail to in any way satisfy the demand.

Butter prices continue to rule with a certain amount of uncertainty.

Recently the price of the product of

the Cowichan creamery advanced to

50c per pound, while the other Island

creameries remained at 45c; but now

a like advance has been made by the Victoria creamery, while the Comox

creamery, which was the first to jump

from 40c to 45c, has dropped back to

the former price at which the Chilliwack and Alberni creameries have

ruled for some time. The demand for

the high grade butter holds unabated

and supplies are inadequate.

In the fruit line, chief interest

centres in the local produce. Bart-

lett pears are arriving in excellent

condition and the quality is fine, the

fruit retailing at from \$1 to \$1.25 per

box, while local apples, also in good

supply and quality, sell at from \$1 to

\$1.75, the Duchess, Alexander and

Gravensteins being the leading variet-

ies. Plums of all varieties are plenti-

ful and prunes are also in good sup-

ply, the former selling at from 20c to

25c a basket, the latter at 25c a

basket.

Vegetables hold at last week's

prices. Tomatoes are coming in fre-

ely and retail at 25c per box and squash

is plentiful at 4¢ per pound. Potatoes

are easier at \$1 per sack, the decline

following the increase in the arrivals

on this market. Peas, beans and

other vegetables remain unchanged.

Local retail prices are as follows:

FLOUR

Royal Household, a bag \$2.00

Lake of the Woods, a bag \$2.00

Royal Standard \$2.00

Wild Rose, per bag \$1.75

Calgary, a bag \$1.75

Hudson, per bag \$1.75

New Garments Arriving Every Day

Every express brings us some new goods, every mail some additional novelties—lines that were bought as late as possible to insure the newest styles, and rushed forward so as to be here in time for the Horse Show! In all kinds of wearing apparel for women, our assortment will be found to be most complete—many novelty garments being among the lot—exclusive models and imported novelties of which we have only one to sell.

Attractive Costumes for the Horse Show

The lines mentioned below are moderate and medium priced garments. They are made on similar lines to the more expensive models, but are less elaborate and not so extreme in style. Among them you will find garments that will do for any kind of wear, and at these prices they are most attractive values.

WOMEN'S COSTUME, in brown, blue and black, made of fine all wool herringbone serge. Jacket silk lined and very smartly finished, skirt with wide fold of self and button trimmed. Price \$37.50

WOMEN'S COSTUME, in brown, green, blue and black chiffon finished broadcloth. Jacket satin lined, collar, cuffs and pockets, black satin finish, skirt circular cut, finished with satin. Price \$40.00

WOMEN'S COSTUME, colors blue, brown, green and black, made of fine all wool English serge. Jacket lined with satin, vest of fancy velvet and collar inlaid with same, skirt circular cut with fold of self. Price \$45.00

WOMEN'S COSTUME, in brown tweed, also black and navy venetian. Jacket satin lined and very smartly tailored, with silk stitching, skirt pleated with fold of self. Price \$22.50

WOMEN'S COSTUME, in fancy stripes, colors, green and blue, light and dark grey and blue and black. Jacket silk lined, man-tailored and finished with stitching and buttons. Skirt circular cut with wide fold of self. Price . . . \$40.00

Novelties in Exclusive Waists

A Waist made of cream allover embroidered net. The front is made with wide pleatings finished down the centre with fine embroidered net and ornaments, long box pleated sleeves finished with insertion and frilling, deep collar. Price \$12.50

A pretty Waist made of cream dotted net, front of wide box pleats with three rows of frilling down the centre of front, long sleeves tucked, high necked collar with frilled edge. A very dressy model. Price \$12.50

WOMEN'S WAISTS, made of white silk with deep sailor collar of lace and insertion, edged with fine white braid. High lace neck band, finished with frill of net, long shirred sleeves. One of the handsomest models we have. Price \$8.50

WOMEN'S WAIST, made of white silk, with deep square yoke of insertion and lace, finished with rows of fine tucking, wide band of insertion and lace extending over shoulder forming Japanese sleeve, threequarter length undersleeve to match. Price \$6.50

A particularly handsome Waist, made of allover embroidered Japanese silk, with pointed yoke front of lace and insertion, finished on either side with two wide pleats, threequarter sleeves edged with the same trimming. This waist is indeed a beautiful one. Price \$11.50

New Dresses for Misses and Children

A new lot of Natty Fall Dresses for young ladies and little ladies are just to hand. They are in all sizes, from infants up, and all styles, including dresses for young ladies made just like the suits for grown-up people. Made of panamas and other cloths of splendid quality and similar style to the suits now worn by women, being of course modified to suit the ages. They are indeed handsome suits, made of extra good quality Panama cloth in pretty shades of blue and brown, panel front of velvet, with strappings of panama on either side, piped with velvet cuffs to match. Full skirt pleated all round and finished with two folds of velvet, two inches wide, velvet wrist band,

10-year size \$9.00

12-year size \$9.50

14-year size \$10.50

16-year size \$11.50

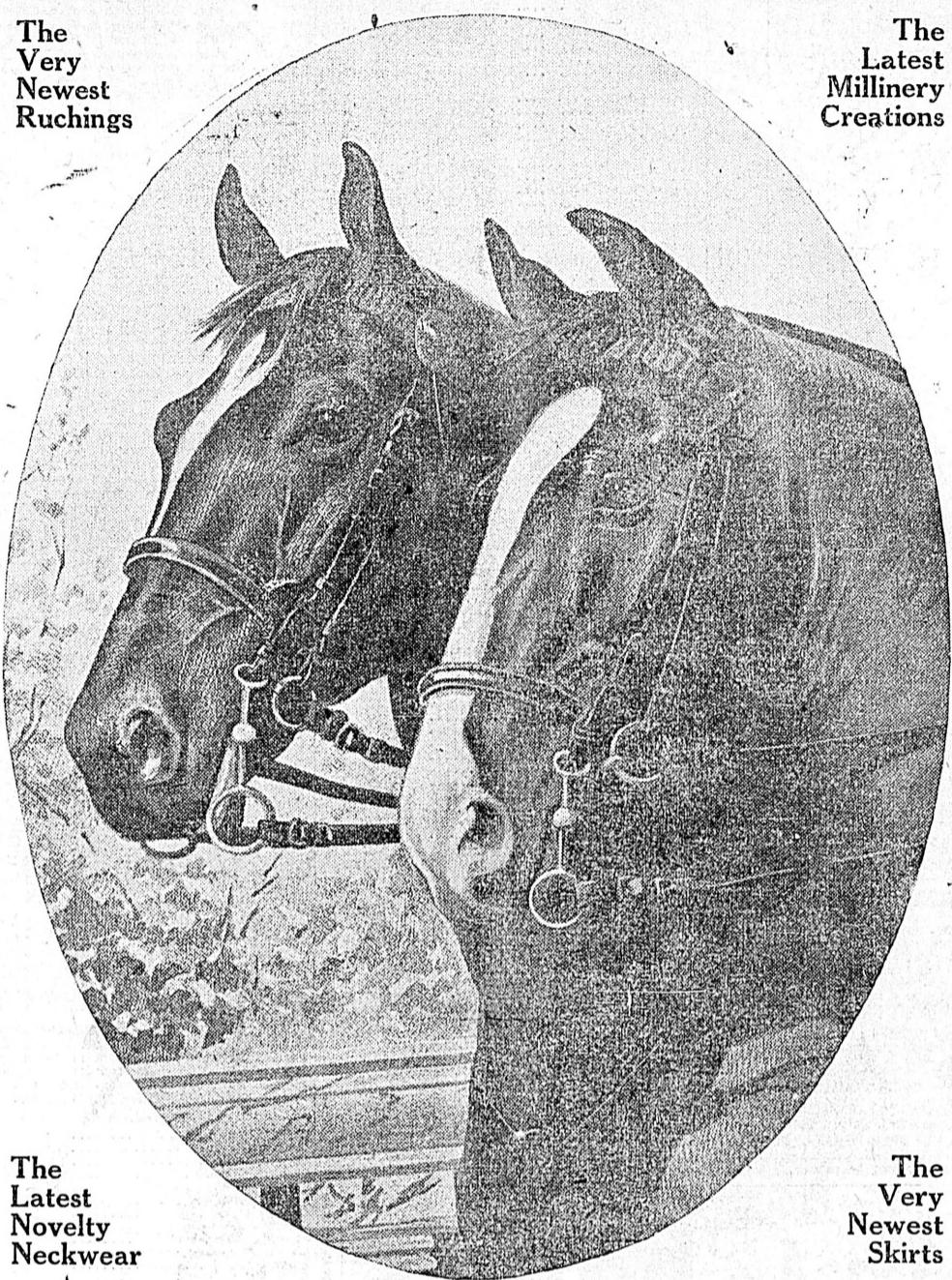
GIRLS' SERGE SUITS, sailor style in navy and crimson, these suits are nicely made with full pleated skirts, square collars, trimmed with three rows of braid, cuffs to match, sizes 8 to 16 years. Prices \$5.50 to \$6.50

CHILDREN'S SAILOR DRESSES, made of navy serge of an extra good quality, nice full skirts, square collar trimmed with five rows of white braid with cuffs to match. Sizes 3 to 5 years. Price \$4.50

Children's Buster Coats

These coats are made of good weight cloth in navy, crimson and green shades. They button at the side and are finished with patent leather belt of contrasting shades, military collar, cuffs and panel down the side, are trimmed with several rows of narrow silk braid. Sizes 2 to 5 years. Price . . . \$3.75

The Very Newest Ruchings



The Latest Millinery Creations

The Latest Novelty Neckwear

The Very Newest Skirts

Extra Special for Friday

A Big Sale of Embroidery Ends

9,993 Yards of Embroidery, Friday, at 10c and 15c

We offer for sale on Friday a manufacturers' store of embroidery ends. They vary in length from 3½ to 10 yards, and are a number of different widths and some very rich and pretty patterns.

We bought this lot away below the regular price, so that you will be able to buy for 10c and 15c on Friday what would ordinarily cost you twice as much. Lengths 3½ to 10 yards, Friday, per yard, 10c and 10c

Friday Sale of New Silks

Values up to \$2.00 Will Sell for 75c

This is a very special offering, this sale of Silks, these being new goods that we have just received. There is a large variety of kinds and colors to choose from, including light stripes and broches suitable for evening wear, also some very handsome dark stripes and broches that are just right for street wear. There are just fifty pieces in the lot, and every piece is a splendid bargain at this price. Reg. values up to \$2.00. Friday at 75c

A Bargain for Men

75c and \$1.00 Overalls for 50c

A clearing out of odd sizes of Men's Overalls and Moleskin Pants, we have not every size in each kind, but many sizes in the entire lot, and some are marked at half-price, in fact any are less than the cost of the materials, regular 75c and \$1.00. Friday at 50c

A Bargain for Boys

65c and 75c Pants for 40c

About two hundred pairs of Pants for boys, the sizes are 22 and 23 only. They are made of good quality tweeds in dark colors and are well made serviceable garments. Stop to think how much the cloth would cost you, then you will see how cheap these are. Regular 65c and 75c. Friday 40c

Handsome Coats for the Horse Show

The coats mentioned here are all semi-fitted or tight-fitting, the style that at present is considered the most correct in the leading fashion centres. We call particular attention to the covert cloth coat mentioned. It is one of the dressiest and prettiest coats that we have shown this season.

WOMEN'S COAT, made of good quality heavy fancy tweeds, 52 inches long, colors brown, light greys, fawn and dark greys. The seams are double turned and stitched with silk. Price \$30.00

WOMEN'S COAT, seven-eighths length, in brown and blue, heavy all wool herringbone stripe, finished with stitched straps of self and inlaid collar of velvet, outside pockets. Price \$21.00

WOMEN'S STYLISH COAT, made of light grade fawn covert cloth, in plain and stripe effect, seven-eighths length, with tight-fitting back and single-breasted, roll collar and cuffs, body satin lined. Priced at \$30.50

WOMEN'S SEVEN-EIGHTH LENGTH COAT, in dark plaids and stripe effect, semi-fitting back with stitched straps over shoulder, double breasted with patch pockets, roll collar and cuffs. Price \$15.00

WOMEN'S COAT, colors black and navy, inlaid collar of velvet, trimmings of silk military braid. The coat is made of fine broadcloth. Price \$27.50

Newest Fall Waists

SHIRT WAIST, cream ground delaine with colored spots to form stripes, in brown, green and blue, tucked front, linen collar and bow. Price \$3.50

VELVET SHIRT WAIST, in green, light and dark blue grounds, with black stripes, saddle or yoke back, linen collar with bow, one of the very smartest styles. Price \$3.50

CREAM SHIRT WAIST, made of delaine with tucked front, saddle or yoke back, box pleat down front and cuffs trimmed with colored silk embroidery in pale blue, pink and navy shades, fancy linen collar. Price \$3.50

SHIRT WAIST, cream delaine, with large spots and stripes, very striking and handsome designs in green, light and dark blue and brown, fancy linen collars with bow. Price \$3.50

DELAINE SHIRT WAIST, in cream color, front made of broad tucks hemstitched, frill on either side of box pleat, linen collar and bow. Price \$3.50

SHIRT WAIST, made of delaine, in Oriental colorings, green and heliotrope, brown and pale blue, blue and green, tucked front with fancy linen collar and bow. Price \$3.50

Fall Footwear Specialties

Of all that a person uses, wears, or eats, nothing is more vital to their Daily Comfort than properly fitted Shoes. Not one person in ten is properly fitted to proper shoes. If you will give us a little time some day, we will fit your feet scientifically and accurately.

Our New Fall Footwear have distinctive styles which cannot fail to appeal to the eye.

Care has been taken to select only lines by reputable makers, in which our customers can have utmost confidence.

Foremost among them are:

"Quite Rights" for Men, \$5.00 to \$6.50

"Queen Quality" for Ladies, \$4.00 to \$5.50

We invite you to see our new samples.

Another feature is an extensive range of Boots for Boys, Youths, Misses and Children. All moderately priced.

Treatment of Boots

A little care and attention bestowed upon boots will not only improve their appearance, but make them last twice as long.

Many kinds of leather require to be cleaned with a particular kind of dressing. A dressing supplying to the leather a nourishment similar to that provided by nature to the skin of a living animal.

We have these dressings at our Shoe Shine stand, and we have an Expert Shoe Shine Artist who will polish your shoes in a way that cannot be excelled.

We are particularly desirous of cleaning the shoes we sell, and to ensure same we make the following.

These free shives go with boots purchased from us. With \$3.50 we will give 5 free shine coupons and one extra for every 50c additional; 10 coupons are given with \$5.00 shoes, with an extra one for every 50c above that figure.

It is No Disadvantage to Live Out of Town

When you can shop with us through our Mail-Order Department. Perfect service and satisfaction is the key-note of this branch of the business, our large and well-trained staff attending to your wants just the same as though you were here personally. Our Fall Catalogue is now ready; we would be pleased to send one to anybody living at a distance. It contains much useful information, and should be in every home. A request will bring you one by return mail.

MEN'S IMPORTED CASHMERE SOX, black, good weight, a new line just opened. Special at 35c.

DAVID SPENCER, LTD.

MEN'S SOX, extra good weight black cashmere, a new lot just opened, extra special at 50c